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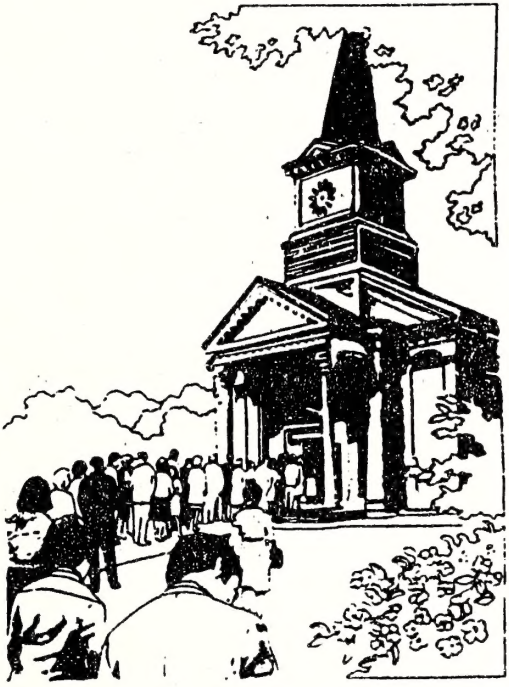
One Hundred Tenth Annual Session



Friday, August 16, 1996
Hosted by:
New River Baptist Church

Saturday, August 17, 1996
Hosted by:
Liberty Grove Baptist Church

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LOCAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ASHE BAPTIST SUMMER CAMP

BALD MOUNTAIN	240.00
BEAVER CREEK	100.00
BIG FLATTS	80.00
BIG LAUREL	60.00
BRISTOL	50.00
CLIFTON	150.00
FRIENDLY GROVE	300.00
FRIENDSHIP	500.00
GRASSY CREEK	180.00
HEALING SPRINGS	60.00
LAUREL KNOB	50.00
LIBERTY GROVE	300.00
MISSION HOME	300.00
MOUNT OLIVE	50.00
NEW RIVER	795.46
NORTH BEAVER	100.00
OBIDS	100.00
OLD FIELDS	100.00
ORION	125.00
PHOENIX	100.00
PLEASANT VALLEY	85.00
THREE FORKS	160.00
TUCKERDALE	180.00
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION CHURCHES	$4165.46

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM INDIVIDUALS, SISTER CHURCHES AND ASSOCIATIONS

ASHE COUNTY 4-H	100.00
BLUE RIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH	400.00
RICKY & MELISSA GOODMAN	25.00
ROY & RHUMELL BALL	200.00
KIMBERLIN REUNION	50.00
WILLIAM M. HAMPTON SCHOOL	290.00
MABEL PAYNE FAMILY	31.00
MT. PERIN BAPTIST CHURCH	20.00
HUGH ELLIOTT FAMILY	60.00
SKYLINE TELEPHONE MEMB. CORP.	60.37
BAPTIST HOME BAPTIST CHURCH	90.00
MT. PLEASANT BAPTIST CHURCH	80.00
MONTICELLO BAPTIST CHURCH	100.00
ELAH BAPTIST CHURCH	110.00
HAROLD & MARIE JORDAN	50.00
APPLACHIAN B.S.U.	140.00
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OTHER CHURCHES, ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS	$1806.37
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	**$5971.83**

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PAID OUT FOR BAPTIST SUMMER CAMP MAINTENANCE

BLUE RIDGE EMC	966.00
SKYLINE TELEPHONE MEMB.	253.63
ROSE'S STORES, INC. #375	116.00
PARKER TIE COMPANY	49.12
WATAUGA READY MIX CORP.	271.36
GO-FORTH SERVICES	45.00
ANN ELDRETH	912.00
BURGESS FURNITURE	81.90
HIGH COUNTRY IMPROVEMENTS	1770.83
ASHE DEV. DAY CARE	175.00
ASHE COUNTY BUILDERS	84.60
BARR INSURANCE AGENCY	477.00
TRI-COUNTY PAVING	330.00
BLUE RIDGE GREENHOUSE	300.00
FIRST UNION NATIONAL BANK	12.75
	$5845.19

BALANCE AT JULY 1, 1995	$ 4924.47
PLUS: DEPOSITS	6483.67
	$11408.14
LESS: PAID OUTS	5845.19
BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 1996	**$ 5562.95**

ONE HUNDRED TENTH ANNUAL SESSION

Ashe Baptist Association

Meeting on Friday, August 16, 1996
Host Church, New River Baptist Church
Meeting at New River Baptist Church

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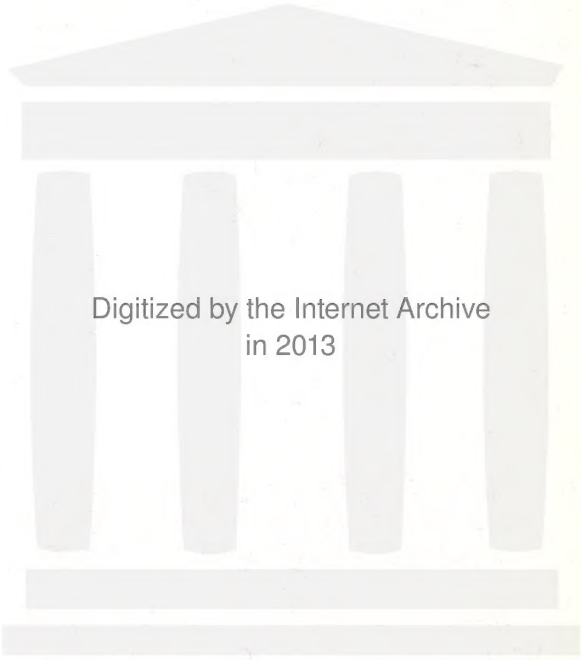
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THE 1996 ANNUAL OF THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION IS DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF

Mr. Benny H. Wilcox

Bennie H. Wilcox was born on December 31, 1924 and went to be with the Lord on July 15, 1996. Bennie was married 46 years to his dear wife, Della. They were blessed with four children, ten grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. He served his country in the US Army and retired from Vermont American Corporation in 1991.

Bennie was well known in his community for his friendliness. He always had a smile and a hand shake for those he met. He enjoyed deer hunting and gardening. After heart surgery, he was a consistent bike rider and walker.

Bennie served for numerous years on the Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association representing Midway Baptist Church. He was always present at the meetings.

Bennie was a faithful member of Midway Baptist Church. The saying around the church was: "You can always count on Bennie." He will be missed by his neighborhood; the association; his church; his family and his friends. It can be said of Bennie as it was said of Abner in II Samuel 3:38, "There is a prince and a great man fallen."

Submitted by Mrs. Tony Eldreth (Daughter)

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Mr. Charles L. King

Mr. Charles L. King, who has served as moderator of the Ashe Baptist Association for the last two years, was born in Lansing on September 4, 1936. For the last 37 years he has lived and worked in the Beaver Creek community; teaching at Beaver Creek High School for 32 years and teaching Sunday School for 37 years.

He has also served the community in many other capacities. He has been married for the past 37 years to Donna Hardin King and they have two children.

Submitted by Linda King (Daughter)

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Rev. Howard Jack Pugh

Jack was born to G.H. and Mary Pugh as the youngest of their children on August 31, 1942 in their home in Crumpler. His family was active in New River Baptist Church. He attended Healing Springs Elementary School, then was in the first class to graduate from Ashe Central High School. Then, on June 22, 1963, he wed Phyllis Carol Arnold of Grassy Creek.

After Jack answered the call to preach, he was ordained at New River on June 26, 1965 by an ordination committee, some of which included: G.H. Pugh, Fred Jennings and Lawrence Goodman. He attended and graduated from Fruitland Bible Institute in Hendersonville, NC and is a recent graduate of Liberty University, in Lynchburg, VA.

He has pastored several churches in the Lord's service, including, in this Association: Bristol, Beaver Creek and Bald Mountain Churches.

From 1991 to 1996 he served the churches of Ashe Baptist Association in the capacity of Associational Missionary.

Submitted by Daniel Pugh (Son)

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

NEW RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH
A BRIEF HISTORY

New River Baptist Church was organized in 1885 by D. W. Thomason and J. F. Fletcher. Charter members were: John J. Garvey, Matilda J. Garvey, Mary Phipps, Martha Phipps and Martha Pollard.

The church is located near the New River at Weaver's Ford. The original building still houses the congregation. Repairs and additional room to the structure have been completed through the years to house the additional family members in our Father's House. Construction of a Fellowship Hall to replace the picnic shelter has been our most recent project. At the same time complete remodeling of the Sunday School facilities took place.

New River Church and it's community were spared when the decision was made to terminate the plans to build a dam on the New River. Since then God has blessed. Souls have been saved here, and the potential to reach others for Christ is great.

The membership is made up of Christians from Ashe, Allegheny and Grayson counties. Rev. Jimmy Warden, present pastor, has served New River Church for 20 years. Former pastors include: Rev. G. L. Trivette, Rev. J. D. Spencer, Rev. W. T. Whittington, Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Rev. Buford Hash, Rev. J. R. Shumate, Rev. Roe Paisley, and Rev. Fred Jennings.

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LIBERTY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
A BRIEF HISTORY

Liberty Grove Baptist Church began in a store building located approximately one-fourth mile from the present building, in the year 1912. At first, only prayer meetings were held, but it wasn't long until Sunday services were being held also.

Church services continued in the store house until Liberty Grove Church was organized and constructed in 1915. The next year, the old store house was destroyed by flood waters. Although the building was completely destroyed, the memories of wonderful fellowship, Spiritual satisfaction, and the closeness of God remained in the hearts of the people.

While meetings were being held in the store house, plans were developed and land donated for the construction of a church building.

The land for the new building was heavily covered with stumps. It was agreed that the men would meet and remove one stump each week until the land was cleared. Since no machinery was available, all the work had to be done manually.

The lumber to construct the building was cut from timber standing on the property across from the church. Connelly Greene was employed to cut the timber, saw the lumber, and construct the building.

A sawmill was moved onto the property and cutting of the timber began. A dry kiln was constructed near the building site in order to properly dry the lumber. Since fireproof materials

were not available with which to build the kiln, much care had to be taken in firing the kiln in order not to burn up the lumber. Herbert Greene, son of Connelly Greene, was given the job of firing the kiln.

The construction of the building was very unique, due to the pulpit being in the center of the building rather than in one end. Many people over the years have wondered by it was placed in the center. Apparently this idea originated with Preacher George M. Reeves, who was to later pastor the church. His reason for suggesting this placement was to bring the congregation and preacher closer together. It worked--there has always been a close fellowship at Liberty Grove. The original pews were angled from the corners toward the pulpit.

Construction was finished, and the church was officially organized on September 25, 1915, with approximately thirty charter members.

Liberty Grove was accepted into the Three Forks Baptist Association during their 76th annual session, August 29-31, 1916.

Liberty Grove Baptist Church has been faithfully served by the following pastors:

D. O. Ray	1915
D. M. Wheeler	1916
George M. Reeves	1917
C. M. Cope	1918
M. A. Adams	1919-1920

LIBERTY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
A BRIEF HISTORY (continued)

I. M. Hayes	1921-1922
Coy Blackburn	1923-1924
J. A. Brindell	1924-1926
I. B. Mury	1926-1928
H. M. Winkler	1928-1939
Levy Greer	1939-1941
Vilas Minton	1941-1943
G. C. Burkett	1943-1951
Bynum Trivette	1951-1956
Roe Paisley	1956-1961
John Goodman	1961-1966
G. C. Burkett	1966-1970
Carl Witherspoon	1970-1973
Kermit Goodman	1974-1979
Gary Watson	1980-1982
David Long	1982-1985
Harvey Presnell	1986-1993
Jerry Reavis	1994-1996

Liberty Grove Baptist Church is a place where everybody is somebody and Jesus Christ is Lord.

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RECEIPTS:

On hand July 1, 1995	$ 578.08	
Given by the churches	50538.90	
State Missions Offering	823.98	
Minute books	2991.00	
Given toward South Africa Trips	2625.00	
Seminary Extension	278.95	
Miscellaneous receipts	25.35	
BALANCE ON HAND AND RECEIVED		$57861.26

DISBURSEMENTS:

Director of Missions		
Salary	13450.00	
Retirement	4375.00	
Medical & Life Insurance	4957.72	
Utilities	2885.00	
Automobile Allowance	1500.00	
Social Security Allowance	3200.00	
Conventions & Conferences	1920.00	
Parsonage Allowance	2900.00	
Miscellaneous Expense	80.95	
Associational Calendars	400.00	
Bank Charges	.48	
Clerk/Treasurer	1800.00	
Discipleship Training	416.36	
Evangelism	765.97	
Furniture (Range hood/Dishwasher)	100.00	
Key Leadership Conference Expense	89.81	
Office Equipment	1187.68	
Parsonage Repair & Maintenance	626.80	
Permits	85.00	
Post Office Box Rent	24.00	
Postage	1432.52	
Printing & Supplies	2081.55	
Reimbursement for travel-Clerk/Treasurer	100.00	
Secretarial Help	4500.00	
Seminary Extension	197.90	
Service Agreement-Copier	600.00	
South Africa Partnership Mission	1850.00	
Sunday School Assist	290.46	
Taxes	481.95	
Vacation Bible School	709.69	
TOTAL AMOUNT PAID OUT		53008.84
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, 1996		$ 4852.42

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FINANCIAL SUPPORT GIVEN BY THE CHURCHES

APPLE GROVE	50.00
BALD MOUNTAIN	120.00
BIG FLATTS	600.00
BIG LAUREL	520.00
BLUE RIDGE	817.45
BRISTOL	1620.00
BUFFALO	200.00
CALVARY	100.00
CLIFTON	1655.00
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	6378.00
FRIENDLY GROVE	3800.00
FRIENDSHIP	1871.00
GLENDALE SPRINGS	3350.64
GRASSY CREEK	600.00
HEALING SPRINGS	1439.00
LANDMARK	1200.00
LAUREL KNOB	1135.00
LIBERTY GROVE	2000.00
MIDWAY	3000.00
MISSION HOME	1050.00
MOUNT OLIVE	475.00
NEW RIVER	3382.00
NORTH BEAVER	636.00
OAK HILL	240.00
OBIDS	360.00
OLD FIELDS	2200.00
ORION	1430.00
PEAK VALLEY	100.00
PHOENIX	1000.00
PINE SWAMP	150.00
PLEASANT HOME	1767.00
ROUND KNOB	111.00
TRINITY	1200.00
TUCKERDALE	1080.00
WAGONER	300.00
WARRENSVILLE	1200.00
WELCOME HOME	939.00

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1996-1997

		Previous	Proposed	
I.	EDUCATION AND PROMOTION			
	1. Sunday School	800.00	800.00	
	2. Discipleship Training	600.00	600.00	
	3. Brotherhood	100.00	100.00	
	4. WMU	75.00	75.00	
	5. Church Music	50.00	50.00	
	6. Vacation Bible School	700.00	700.00	
	7. Evangelism	1200.00	1200.00	
	8. Key Leadership	150.00	150.00	
	9. Association Youth	1200.00	1200.00	
	SUB-TOTAL			4875.00
II.	ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE			
	1. Office Equipment	1000.00	1000.00	
	2. Printing and Supplies	2000.00	2000.00	
	3. Postage/Mailing	2000.00	2000.00	
	4. Associational Calendars	400.00	400.00	
	SUB-TOTAL			5400.00
III.	SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES			
	1. Director of Missions			
	Salary	14000.00	6000.00	(Consultant)
	Retirement	4200.00	0	
	Medical and Life Insurance	5300.00	0	
	Utilities	3000.00	1000.00	
	Automobile Allowance	1500.00	2900.00	($.29 per mile)
	Social Security Allowance	3200.00	0	
	Conventions and Conferences	2000.00	0	
	Parsonage Allowance	3000.00	0	
	2. Secretarial Help	4590.00	12480.00	
	3. Clerk/Treasurer	1200.00	1200.00	
	Reimburse for travel	100.00	100.00	
	4. Employee Social Security Taxes	525.00	1050.00	
	SUB-TOTAL			24730.00
IV.	PARSONAGE			
	1. Insurance Premium	500.00	500.00	
	2. Building Repair/Property Maint	1000.00	2000.00	
	SUB-TOTAL			2500.00
V.	MISCELLANEOUS			
	1. Miscellaneous Expenses	500.00	500.00	
	SUB-TOTAL			500.00
	TOTAL	**$54890.00**		**$38005.00**

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LOCAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ASHE BAPTIST SUMMER CAMP

BALD MOUNTAIN	240.00
BEAVER CREEK	100.00
BIG FLATTS	80.00
BIG LAUREL	60.00
BRISTOL	50.00
CLIFTON	150.00
FRIENDLY GROVE	300.00
FRIENDSHIP	500.00
GRASSY CREEK	180.00
HEALING SPRINGS	60.00
LAUREL KNOB	50.00
LIBERTY GROVE	300.00
MISSION HOME	300.00
MOUNT OLIVE	50.00
NEW RIVER	795.46
NORTH BEAVER	100.00
OBIDS	100.00
OLD FIELDS	100.00
ORION	125.00
PHOENIX	100.00
PLEASANT VALLEY	85.00
THREE FORKS	160.00
TUCKERDALE	180.00
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION CHURCHES	$4165.46

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM INDIVIDUALS, SISTER CHURCHES AND ASSOCIATIONS

ASHE COUNTY 4-H	100.00
BLUE RIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH	400.00
RICKY & MELISSA GOODMAN	25.00
ROY & RHUMELL BALL	200.00
KIMBERLIN REUNION	50.00
WILLIAM M. HAMPTON SCHOOL	290.00
MABEL PAYNE FAMILY	31.00
MT. PERIN BAPTIST CHURCH	20.00
HUGH ELLIOTT FAMILY	60.00
SKYLINE TELEPHONE MEMB. CORP.	60.37
BAPTIST HOME BAPTIST CHURCH	90.00
MT. PLEASANT BAPTIST CHURCH	80.00
MONTICELLO BAPTIST CHURCH	100.00
ELAH BAPTIST CHURCH	110.00
HAROLD & MARIE JORDAN	50.00
APPLACHIAN B.S.U.	140.00
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OTHER CHURCHES, ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS	$1806.37
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	**$5971.83**

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PAID OUT FOR BAPTIST SUMMER CAMP MAINTENANCE

BLUE RIDGE EMC	966.00
SKYLINE TELEPHONE MEMB.	253.63
ROSE'S STORES, INC. #375	116.00
PARKER TIE COMPANY	49.12
WATAUGA READY MIX CORP.	271.36
GO-FORTH SERVICES	45.00
ANN ELDRETH	912.00
BURGESS FURNITURE	81.90
HIGH COUNTRY IMPROVEMENTS	1770.83
ASHE DEV. DAY CARE	175.00
ASHE COUNTY BUILDERS	84.60
BARR INSURANCE AGENCY	477.00
TRI-COUNTY PAVING	330.00
BLUE RIDGE GREENHOUSE	300.00
FIRST UNION NATIONAL BANK	12.75
	$5845.19

BALANCE AT JULY 1, 1995	$ 4924.47
PLUS: DEPOSITS	6483.67
	$11408.14
LESS: PAID OUTS	5845.19
BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 1996	**$ 5562.95**

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Addendum I - ARTICLES OF FAITH
(The Baptist Faith and Message as adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1963)

Baptists are a people who profess a living faith. This faith is rooted and grounded in Jesus Christ who is "the same yesterday and today and forever." Therefore the sole authority for faith and practice among Baptists is Jesus Christ whose will is revealed in the Holy Scriptures .

A living faith must experience a growing understanding of truth and must be continually interpreted and related to the needs of each new generation. Through out their history Baptist bodies, both large and small, have issued statements of faith which comprise a consensus of their beliefs. Such statements have never been regarded as complete, infallible statements of faith, nor as official creeds carrying mandatory authority. Thus this generation of Southern Baptists is in historic succession of intent and purpose as it endeavors to state for its time and theological climate those articles of the Christian faith which are most surely held among us.

Baptists emphasize the soul's competency before God, freedom in religion, and the priesthood of the believer. However, this emphasis should not be interpreted to mean that there is an absence of certain doctrines that Baptists believe, cherish, and
with which they have been and are now closely identified.

It is the purpose of this statement of faith and message to set forth certain teachings which we believe.

THE SCRIPTURES

The Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is the record of God's revelation of Himself to many. It is a perfect treasure of divine instruction. In has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter.

Ex. 24:4; Deut. 4:1-2; 17:19; Josh. 8:34; Psalm 19:7-10; 119: 11, 89; 105; 140. It reveals the principles by which God judges us; and therefore is, and will remain to the end of

THE SCRIPTURES (continued)

the world, the true center of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds, and religious opinions should be tried. The criterion by which the Bible is to be interpreted is Jesus Christ.

Isa. 34:16; 40:8; Jer. 15:16; 36; Matt. 5:17-18; 22-29; Luke 21:33, 44-46; John 5:39; 16:13-15; 17:17; Acts 2:16 ff; 17:11; Rom. 15:4; 16: 25-26; 2 Tim. 3:15-17; Heb. 1:1-2; 4:12; I Peter 1:25; 2 Peter 1:25; 2 Peter 1:19-21.

GOD

There is one and only one living and true God. He is an intelligent, spiritual, and personal Being, the Creator, Redeemer, Preserver, and Ruler of the Universe. God is infinite in holiness and all other perfections. To Him we owe the highest love, reverence, and obedience. The eternal God reveals Himself to us a Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, with distinct personal attributes, but without division of nature, essence, or being.

GOD THE FATHER

God as Father reigns with providential care over his universe, His creatures and the flow of the stream of human history according to the purpose of His grace. He is all powerful, all loving, and all wise, God is Father in truth to those who become children of God through faith in Jesus Christ. He is fatherly in His attitude toward all men.

Gen. 1:1, 2:7; Ex. 3:14, 6:2-3, 15:11ff, 20:1ff; Lev. 22:2; Deut. 6:4, 32:6; I Chron. 29:10; Psalm 19:1-3; Isa. 43:3, 15, 64:8; Jer. 10:10, 17:3; Matt. 6:9 ff, 7:11, 23:9, 28:19; Mark 1:9-11; John 4:24, 5:26, 14:6-13, 17:1-8; Acts 1:7; Rom. 8:14-15; I Cor. 8:6; Gal. 4:6; Eph. 4:6; Col. 1:15; I Tim. 1:17; Heb. 11:6, 12:9; I Peter 1:17; I John 5:7.

GOD THE SON

Christ is the eternal Son of God. In His incarnation as Jesus Christ he was conceived of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. Jesus perfectly revealed and did the will of God, taking upon Himself the demands and necessities of human nature and identifying Himself completely yet without sin. He was raised from the dead with a glorified body and appeared to His disciples as the person who was with them before His crucifixion. He ascended into Heaven and is now exalted at the right hand of God where he is the One Mediator, partaking of the nature of God and of man and whose Person is effected the reconciliation between God and man. He will return in power and glory to judge the world and to consummate His redemptive mission. He now dwells in all believers as the living and ever present Lord.

Gen. 18:1 ff; Psalm 2:7ff, 110:1ff; Isa. 7:14; 53; Matt. 1:18-23; 3:17, 8:29, 11:27, 14:33, 16:16, 27, 17:5, 27, 28: 1-6,19; Mark 1:1, 3:11; Luke 1:35, 4:41, 22:70, 24:46; John 1:1-18, 29, 10:30, 38, 11:25-27, 12:44-50, 14:7-11, 16:15-16, 28, 17:1-5, 21-22, 20:1-20, 28; Acts 1:9, 2:22-24, 7:55-56, 9:4-5, 20; Rom. 1:3-4, 3:23-26, 5:6-21, 8:1-3, 34, 10:4; I Cor. 1:30, 2:2, 8:6, 15:1-8, 24-28; 2 Cor. 5:19-21; Gal. 4:4-5; Eph. 1:20, 3:11, 4:7-10; Phil. 2:5-11; Col. 1:13-22, 2:9; I Thes. 4:14-18; I Tim. 2:5-6, 3:16; Titus 2:13-14; Heb. 1:1-3, 4:14-15, 7:14-28, 9:12-15, 24-24, 12:2, 13:8; I Peter 2:21-25, 3: 22; I John 1:7-9, 3:2, 4:14-15, 5:9; II John 7-9; Rev. 1:13-16, 5:9-14, 12:10-11, 13:8, 19: 16.

GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God. He inspired holy men of old to write the scriptures. Through illumination He enables men to understand truth. He exalts Christ. He convicts of sin, of righteousness and of judgment. He calls men to the Savior, and effects regeneration. He cultivates Christian character, comforts believers. and bestows the spiritual gifts by which they serve God through His church. He seals the believers unto the day of final redemption. His presence in the Christian is the assurance of God to bring the believers

GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT
(continued)

into the fullness of the stature of Christ. He enlightens and empowers the believer and the church in worship, evangelism, and service.

Gen. 1:2; Judges 14:6; Job 26:13; Psalm 51:11; 139:7ff; Isa. 61:1-3; Joel 2:28-32; Matt. 1:18, 3:16, 4:1, 12:28-32, 28:19; Mark 1:10, 12, Luke 1:35, 4:1, 18-19, 11:13, 12:12, 24-49; John 4:24, 14:16-17, 26, 15:26, 16:7-14; Acts 1:8, 2:1-4, 38, 4:31, 5:3, 6:3, 7:55, 8:17, 39, 10:44, 13:2, 15:28, 16:6, 19:1-6; Rom. 8:9-11, 14-16, 26-27; I Cor. 2:10-14, 3:16, 12:3-11; Gal. 4:6; Eph. 1:13-14, 4:30, 5:18; I Thes. 5:19; I Tim. 3:16, 4:1; 2 Tim. 1:14, 3:16; Heb. 9:8, 14; 2 Peter 1:21; I John 4:13, 5:6-7; Rev. 1: 10, 22:17.

MEN

Man was created by the special act of God, in his own image, and is the crowning work of His creation. In the beginning man was innocent of sin and was endowed by His Creator with freedom of choice. By his free choice man sinned against God and brought sin into the human race. Through the temptation of Satan man transgressed the command of God, and fell from his original innocence; whereby his posterity inherit a nature and an environment inclined toward sin, and as soon as they are capable of moral action become transgressors and are under condemnation. Only the grace of God can bring man into His holy fellowship and enable man to fulfill the creative purpose of God. The sacredness of human personality is evident in that God created man in His own image, and in that Christ died for man; therefore, every man possesses dignity and is worthy of respect and Christian love.

Gen. 1:26-30, 2:5,7, 18-22, 3:6-9; Psalm 1; 8:3-6, 32:1-5, 51:5; Isa. 6:5; Jer. 17:5; Matt. 16:26; Acts 17:26-31; Rom. 1:19, 32, 3:10-18, 23, 5:6, 12, 19, 6:6, 7:14-18; I Cor. 1:21-31, 15:19, 21-22; Eph. 2:1-22, 3:9-11.

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SALVATION

Salvation involves the redemption of the whole man, and is offered freely to all who accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, who by His own blood obtained eternal redemption for the believer. In its broadest sense salvation includes regeneration, sanctification, and glorification.

A. Regeneration, or the new birth, is a work of God's grace whereby believers become new creatures in Christ Jesus. It is a change of heart wrought by thee Holy Spirit through conviction of sin, to which the sinner responds in repentance toward God, and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Repentance and faith are inseparable experiences of grace. Repentance is a genuine turning from sin toward God. Faith is the acceptance of Jesus Christ and commitment of the entire personality to Him as Lord and Savior. Justification is God's gracious and full acquittal upon principles of His righteousness of all sinners who repent and believe in Christ. Justification brings the believer into a relationship for peace and favor with God.

B. Sanctification is the experience, beginning in regeneration, by which the believer is set apart to God's purposes, and is enabled to progress toward moral and spiritual perfection through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit dwelling in him. Growth in grace should continue throughout the regenerate person's life.

C. Glorification is the culmination of salvation and is the final blessed and abiding state of the redeemed.

Gen. 3:15; Ex. 3:14-17, 6:2-8; Matt. 1:21, 4:17, 16:21-26, 27:22 to 28:6; Luke 1:68-69, 2: 28-32; John 1:11-14, 29, 3:3-21, 36, 5:24, 10:9, 28-29, 15:1-16, 17:17; Acts 2:21, 4:12, 15:11, 16:30-31, 17:30-31, 20:32; Rom. 1:16-19, 2:4, 3:23-25, 4:3ff, 5:8-10, 6:1-23, 8:1-18, 29-39, 10:9-10, 13, 13:11-14; I Cor. 1:18, 30, 6:19-20, 15:10; 2 Cor. 5:17-20; Gal. 2:20, 3:13, 5:22-25, 6:15; Eph. 1:7, 2:8-22, 4:11-16; Phil. 2:12-13; Col. 1:9-22, 3:1ff; I Thes. 5:23-24; 2 Tim. 1:12; Titus 2:11-14; Heb. 2:1-3, 5:8-9, 9:24-28, 11:1-12:8, 14; James 2:14-16; I Peter 1:2-23; I John 1:6 to 2:11; Rev. 3:21, 21:1 to 22:5.

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GOD'S PURPOSE AND GRACE

Election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which He regenerates, sanctifies, and glorifies sinners. It is consistent with the free agency of man, and comprehends all the means in connection with the end. It is a glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, and is infinitely wise, holy, and unchangeable. It excludes boasting and promotes humility.

All true believers endure to the end. Those whom God has accepted in Christ, and sanctified by His Spirit, will never fall away from the state of grace, but shall persevere to the end. Believers may fall into sin through neglect and temptation, whereby they grieve the Spirit, impair their graces and comforts, bring reproach on the cause of Christ, and temporal judgments on themselves, yet they shall be kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

Gen. 12:1-3; Ex. 19:5-8; I Sam. 8:4-7, 19-22; Isa. 5:1-7; Jer. 31:31ff; Matt. 16:18-19, 21:28-45, 24:22, 31, 25:34; Luke 1:68-79, 2:29-32, 19:41-44, 24:44-48; John 1:12-14, 3:16, 5:24, 6:44-45, 65, 10:27-29, 15:16, 17:6, 12, 17-18; Acts 20:32; Rom. 5:9-10, 8:28-39, 10: 12-15, 11:5-7, 26-36; I Cor. 1:1-2, 15:24-28; Eph. 1:4-23, 2:1-10, 3:1-11; Col. 1:12-14; 2 Thes. 2:13-14; 2 Tim. 1:12, 2:10, 19; Heb. 11:39-12:2; I Peter 1:2-5, 13, 2:4-10; I John 1:7-9, 2:19, 3:2

THE CHURCH

A New Testament church of the Lord Jesus Christ is a local body of baptized believers who are associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the gospel, observing the two ordinances of Christ, committed to His teachings, exercising the gifts, and privileges invested in them by His word, and seeking to extend the gospel to the ends of the earth.

This church is an autonomous body, operating through democratic processes under the Lordship of Jesus Christ. In such a congregation members are equally responsible. Its Scriptural officers are pastors and deacons.

The New Testament speaks also of the church as the body of Christ which includes all of the redeemed of all ages.

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Matt. 16:15-19, 18:15-20; Acts 2:41-42, 47, 5:11-14, 6:3-6, 13:1-3, 14:23,27, 15:1-30, 16:5, 20:28; Rom. 1:7; I Cor. 1:2, 3:16, 5:4-5,7:17, 9:13-14; 12; Eph. 1:22-23, 2:19-22, 3:8-11, 21, 5:22-32; Phil. 1:1; Col. 1:18; I Tim. 3:1-15, 4:14; I Peter 5:1-4; Rev. 2-3, 21:2-3.

BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. It is an act of obedience obedience whereby members of the church through partaking of the bread and the fruit of the vine, memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming. symbolizing the believer's faith in a crucified, and risen Savior. the believer's death to sin, the burial of the old life, and in the resurrection to walk in newness of life in Christ Jesus. It is a testimony to his faith in the final resurrection of the dead. Being a church ordinance, it is prerequisite to the privilege of church membership and to the Lord's Supper.

The Lord's Supper is a symbolic act of obedience whereby members of the church through partaking of the bread and the fruit of the vine, memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming.

Matt. 3:13-17, 26:26-30, 28:19-20; Mark 1:9-11, 14:22-26; Luke 3:21-22, 22:19-20; John 3:23; Acts 2:41-42, 8: 35-39, 16:30-33, 20:7; Rom. 6:3-5; I Cor. 10:16, 21, 11:23-29; Col. 2:12

THE LORD'S DAY

The first day of the week is the Lord's Day. It is a Christian institution for regular observance. It commemorates the resurrection of Christ from the dead and should be employed in exercises of worship and spiritual devotion, both public and private, and by refraining from worldly amusements, and resting from secular employment, work of necessity and mercy only being excepted.

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Ex. 20:8-11; Matt. 12:1-12, 28:1 ff, Mark 2:27-28, 16:1-7; Luke 24:1-3, 33-36; John 4:21-24, 20:1, 19-28; Acts 20:7; I Cor. 16:1-2; Col. 2:16, 3:16; Rev. 1:10.

THE KINGDOM

The Kingdom of God includes, both His general sovereignty over the universe and His particular kingship over men who willfully acknowledge Him as King. Particularly the Kingdom is the realm of salvation into which men enter by trustful, childlike, commitment to Jesus Christ. Christians ought to pray and to labor that the Kingdom may come and God's will be done on earth. The full consummation of the Kingdom awaits the return of Jesus Christ and the end of this age.

Gen. 1:1; Isa. 9:6-7; Jer. 23:5-6; Matt. 3:2, 4:8-10, 23, 12:25-28, 13:1-52, 25:31-46, 26:29; Mark 1:14-15, 9:1; Luke 4: 43, 8:1, 9:2, 12:31-32, 17:20-21, 23:42; John 3:3, 18-36; Acts 1:6-7, 17:22-31; Rom. 5:17, 8:19; I Cor. 15:24-28; Col. 1:13; Heb. 11:10,16, 12:28; I Peter 2:4-10, 4:13; Rev. 1:6,9, 5:10, 11:15, 21-22

LAST THINGS

God, in His own time and in His own way, will bring the world to its appropriate end. According to His promise, Jesus Christ will return personally and visibly in glory to the earth; the dead will be raised; and Christ will judge all men in righteousness. The unrighteous will be consigned to Hell, the place of everlasting punishment. The righteous in their resurrected and glorified bodies will receive their reward and will dwell forever in Heaven with the Lord.

Isa. 2:4, 11:9; Matt. 16:27, 18: 8-9, 19: 28, 24:27, 30, 36, 44, 25:31-46, 26:64; Mark 8:38, 9:43-48; Lk. 12:40, 48, 16:19-26, 17:22-37, 21:27-28; John 14:1-3; Acts 1:11, 17:31; Rom. 14:10; I Cor. 4:5, 15:24-28, 35-58; 2 Cor. 5:10: Phil. 3:20-21; Col. 1:5; 3:4; I Thes. 4:14-18, 5:1ff, 2 Thes. 1:7ff; 2; I

LAST THINGS (continued)

Tim. 6:14; 2 Tim. 4:1, 8; Titus 2:13; Heb. 9:27-28; James 5:8; 2 Peter 3:7ff, I John 2:28, 3:2; Jude 14; Rev. 1:18, 3:11, 20:1 to 22:13.

EVANGELISM AND MISSIONS

It is the duty and privilege of every follower of Christ and of every church of the Lord Jesus Christ to endeavor to make disciples of all nations. The new birth of man's spirit by God's Holy Spirit means the birth of love for others. Missionary efforts on the part of all rests upon a spiritual necessity of the regenerate life, and is expressly and repeatedly commanded in the teachings of Christ. It is the duty of every child of God to seek constantly to win the lost to Christ by personal effort and by all other methods in harmony with the gospel of Christ.

Gen. 12:1-3; Ex. 19:5-6; Isa. 6:1-8; Matt. 9:37-38, 10:5-15, 13:18-30, 37-43, 16:19, 22:9-10, 24:14, 28:18-20; Luke 10:1-18, 24:46-53; John 14:11-12, 15:7-8, 16, 17:15, 20:21; Acts 1:8; 2; 8:26-40, 10:42-48, 13:2-3; Rom. 10:13-15; Eph.3:1-11; I Thes. 1:8; 2 Tim. 4:5; Heb. 2:1-3, 11:39 to 12:2; I Peter 2:4-10; Rev. 22:17

EDUCATION

The cause of education in the Kingdom of Christ is coordinate with the causes of missions and general benevolence, and should receive along with these the liberal support of the churches. An adequate system of Christian schools is necessary to a complete spiritual program for Christ's people.

In Christian education there should be a proper balance between academic freedom and academic responsibility. Freedom in any orderly relationship of human life is always limited and never absolute. The freedom of a teacher on a Christian school, college, or seminary is limited by the preeminence of Jesus Christ, by the authoritative

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nature of the Scriptures, and by the distinct purpose for which the school exists.

Deut. 4:1, 5, 9, 14, 6:1-10, 31:12-13; Neh. 8:1-8; Job 28:28; Psalm 19:7 ff, 119:11; Prov. 3:13 ff, 4:1-10, 8:1-7, 11, 15:14; Ecc. 7:19; Matt. 5:2, 7:24 ff, 28:19-20; Luke 2:40; I Cor. 1:18-31; Eph. 4:11-16; Phil. 4:8; Col. 2:3, 8-9; I Tim. 1:3-7; 2 Tim. 2:15, 3:14-17; Heb. 5:12 to 6:3; James 1:5, 3:17

STEWARDSHIP

God is the source of all blessings, temporal and spiritual; all that we have and are we owe to Him. Christians have a spiritual debtorship to the whole world, a trusteeship in the gospel, and a binding stewardship in their possessions. They are therefore under obligation to serve Him with their time, talents, and material possessions; and should recognize all these as entrusted to them to use for the glory of God and for helping others. According to the Scriptures, Christians should contribute of their means cheerfully, regularly, systematically, proportionately, and Him. Christians have a spiritual debtorship to the whole world, a trusteeship in the gospel, and a binding stewardship in their possessions. They are therefore under obligation to serve Him with their time, talents, and material possessions; and should recognize all these as entrusted to them to use for the glory of God and for helping others. According to the Scriptures, Christians should contribute of their means cheerfully, regularly, systematically, proportionately, and liberally for the advancement of the Redeemer's cause on earth.

Gen. 14:20; Lev. 27:30-32; Deut. 8:18; Mal. 3:8-12; Matt. 6:1-4, 19-21, 23:23, 25:14-29; Luke 12:16-21, 42, 16:1-13; Acts 2:44-47, 5:1-11, 17:24-25; Rom. 6:6-22, 12:1-2; I Cor. 4:1-2, 6:19-20; 12; 16:1-4; 2 Cor. 8-9, 12:15; Phil. 4:10-19; I Peter 1:18-19

COOPERATION

Christ's people should, as occasion requires, organize such associations and conventions as may best secure cooperation for the great objects of the Kingdom of God. Such organizations have no authority over one another or over the churches. They are voluntary and advisory bodies designed to elicit, combine, and direct the energies of our people in the most effective manner. Members of New Testament churches should cooperate with one another in carrying forward the missionary, educational, and benevolent ministries for the extension of Christ's Kingdom. Christian unity in the New Testament sense is spiritual harmony and voluntary cooperation for common ends by various groups of Christ's people. Cooperation is desirable between the various Christian denominations, when the end to be attained is itself justified, and when such cooperation involves no violation of conscience or compromise of loyalty to Christ and His Word as revealed in the New Testament.

Ex. 17:12, 18:17 ff; Judges 7:21; Ezra 1:3-4, 2:68-69, 5:14-15; Neh. 4; 8: 1-5; Matt. 10: 5-15, 20:1-16, 22:1-10, 28:19-20; Mark 2:3; Luke 10:1 ff; Acts 1:13-14, 2:1 ff, 4: 31-37, 13:2-3, 15: 1-35; I Cor. 1:10-17, 3:5-15; 12; 2 Cor. 8-9; Gal. 1:6-10; Eph. 4:1-16; Phil. 1:15-18

THE CHRISTIAN AND THE SOCIAL ORDER

Every Christian is under obligation to seek to make the will of Christ supreme in his own life and in human society. Means and methods used for the improvement of society and the establishment of righteousness among men can be truly and permanently helpful only when they are rooted in the regeneration of the individual by the saving grace of God in Christ Jesus. The Christian should oppose in the Spirit of Christ every form of greed, selfishness, and vice. He should work to provide for the orphaned, the needy, the aged, the helpless and the sick. Every Christian should seek to bring industry, government, and society as a whole under he sway of the principles of righteousness, truth and

THE CHRISTIAN AND THE SOCIAL ORDER (continued)

brotherly love. In order to promote these ends Christians should be ready to work with all men of good will in any good cause always being careful to act in the spirit of love without compromising their loyalty to Christ and His truth.

Ex. 20:3-17, Lev. 6:2-5; Deut. 10:12, 27:17; Psalm 101:5; Micah 6:8; Zech. 8:16, Matt. 5:13-16, 43-48, 22:36-40, 25:35; Mark 1:29-34, 2:3 ff, 10:21, Luke 4:18-21, 10:27-37, 20-25; John 15:12, 17:15; Rom. 12-14; I Cor. 5:9-10, 6:1-7, 7:20-24, 10:23 to 11:1, Gal. 3:26-28, Eph. 6:5-9, Col. 3:12-17, I Thes. 3:12; Philemon, James 1:27, 2:8

PEACE AND WAR

It is the duty of Christians to seek peace with all men on principles of righteousness. In accordance with the spirit and teachings of Christ they should do all in their power to put an end to war. The true remedy for the war spirit is the gospel of our Lord. The supreme need of the world is the acceptance of His teachings in all the affairs of men and nations, and the practical application of His law of love.

Isa. 2:4; Matt. 5:9, 38-48, 6:33, 26:52, Luke 22:36, 38, Rom. 12:18-19, 13: 1-7, 14:19; Heb. 12:14; James 4:1-2

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

God alone is Lord of the conscience, and He has left it free from the doctrines and commandments of men which are contrary to His Word or not contained in it. Church and state should be separate. The state owes to every church protection and full freedom in the pursuit of its spiritual ends. In providing for such freedom no ecclesiastical group or denomination should be favored by the state more than others. Civil government being ordained of God, it is the duty of Christians to render loyal obedience thereto in all things not contrary to the revealed will of God. The church should not resort to the civil power to carry on its work. The Gospel of

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY
(continued)

Christ contemplates spiritual means alone for the pursuit of its ends. The state has no right to impose penalties for religious opinions of any kind. The state has no right to impose taxes for the support of any form of religion. A free church in a free state is the Christian ideal, and this implies the right of free and unhindered access to God on the part of all men, and the right to form and prop-agate opinions in the sphere of religion without interference by the civil power.

Gen. 1:27, 2:7; Matt. 6:6-7, 24, 16:26, 22:21; John 8:36; Acts 4:19-20; Rom. 6:1-2, 13:1-7; Gal. 5:1, 13; Phil. 3:20; I Tim. 2:1-2; James 4:12; I Peter 2:12-17, 3:11-17, 4:12-19

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
PREAMBLE

For the purpose of preserving, propagating, and making articulate the principles of our faith and to the end that this body of cooperating churches may be governed in an orderly manner, consistent with the accepted tenets of associations of Missionary Baptist Churches, for the purpose of preserving the liberties inherent in each individual church, and in order to set forth the relationship of this body to other Baptist bodies, we do adopt and establish this Constitution

Article I - Name and Membership

Section 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Baptist Association.

Section 2. This Association shall consist of all Baptist Churches in Ashe County, and communities closely adjacent thereto, of like faith and practice, who wish to affiliate with this Association and are loyal to the faith and practice of the Baptist Denomination.

Section 3. The membership of this body shall be the pastor and three (3) messengers from each church. A letter certifying their appointment and giving the statistics of the membership and work of the church shall be sent to the Associational office at least twenty (20) days before the opening session of the annual meeting.

Section 4. Any church reported to be irregular in faith or practice may be investigated by order of the Association and such action taken, as may be decided by the Association.

Section 5. The Association shall be sole judge of its membership and may receive churches according to the Association's Constitution and By-Laws. Any church in the Association which fails to cooperate with the Association for two consecutive years shall be contacted by the Executive

Article I - Name and Membership (continued)

Committee to ascertain the wishes and desires of the church relative to its continuance in the Association.

A Cooperating church should be defined as one which sends a report (church letter) to the annual session, is represented (by messengers) at the annual session, represented (by Executive Committee members) at the regularly scheduled Executive Committee meetings, contributes to the financial program of the Association, and is in general sympathy with the purposes of the Association. The Association recognizes that any affiliated church has the right to withdraw its fellowship from the Association.

Article II - Purpose

Section 1. The purpose of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches of the Association in devising and promoting measures and programs for the spread of the gospel in our bounds and in all the world, in compliance with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the Southern Baptist Convention.

Article III - Annual Church Letters (Annual Church Profile)

Section 1. The churches shall report annually statistical and general information upon a printed form furnished by the Associational office. The printed form shall be furnished to the church at least six weeks before the convening of an annual session of the Association and returned to the Associational office at least twenty (20) days before the opening session of the annual meeting.

Article IV - Officers and their Duties

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Associational

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

Missionary, and the heads of such organizations as are set up and approved by the Association. The offices of Clerk and Treasurer may be the same person, at the discretion of the body.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Moderator of the Association (Vice-Moderator in his absence or disability) to preside over the annual sessions and all special sessions, including the meetings of the Executive Committee. As the presiding officer, he shall open the meetings punctually at the appointed time, enforce the rules, preserve the order, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage. He shall name the committees and representatives of Institutions and agencies described in Sections 5, 6, and 8 of Article V of the Constitution at the opening of the annual session. He shall be elected for a one year term, and he cannot succeed himself after the second consecutive term.

Section 3. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of all proceedings of the Executive committee meetings, annual meetings, and make such available to the body and the Associational Missionary for printing and distribution.

Section 4. The treasurer shall have charge of all Associational funds as the Association may direct and make a report of receipts and disbursements at each annual meeting.

Section 5. (1) The Associational Missionary shall be elected upon a recommendation of the Committee on Missions, and by a vote of the Association at a regular scheduled meeting . The relationship between the Association and its Associational Missionary may be terminated following a reasonable notice of not less than 30 days.

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

(2) The Associational Missionary shall promote the work and witness of the Association and denomination, cooperating with the churches, their pastors and officers and Associational committees and organizations.

A. He shall be responsible for planning, promoting and executing the ministry of the Association in cooperation with the Committee on Missions.
B. He shall make an annual report to the Association at the August meeting.
C. He shall be ex-officio member of all committees of the Association, serving in an advisory and/or resource capacity.
D. He shall seek to visit each church in the Association in order to:
    (1) Enrich Christian fellowship among churches.
    (2) Encourage and strengthen the ministry of the churches.
    (3) Enhance the cooperative relationship between the churches and the Association.
E. He shall, when necessary, conduct surveys or inquiries, in order to determine specific needs for ministry with the area of the Association.
F. He shall, upon request, provide a list of qualified persons who may be considered by churches seeking pastors.
G. He shall have full administrative responsibility for all personnel employed by the Association.

(3) The Associational Missionary is entitled to two weeks vacation annually. Upon completion of five years service, the Associational Missionary shall be entitled to three weeks annual vacation, and after ten years, four weeks annual vacation. Vacation is to be taken within the calendar year, and it is not accumulative.

(4) Should there occur at any time a grievance on the part of the Association of the Associational Missionary,

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

either party may consult with the Moderator and Chairman of the Missions Committee.

Section 6. The officers of the other organizations within the Association shall be nominated by their respective organizations and their names furnished, and presented to the Association for action at each annual session.

Section 7. The officers designated in Section 1, the Associational Missionary excepted, shall be elected at the morning session of the first day of the annual meeting and shall assume their duties at the close of the annual meeting, at which they are elected, and serve until the close of the next session.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties

Section 1. The committees of the Association shall be: Executive Committee, Committee on New Churches, Program Committee, Committee on Place and Preacher, Resolutions Committee, Missions Committee, Nominating Committee, and such other committees as the Association may designate and name at any annual session. All committee members will serve for a period of three (3) years. Initially each committee will, with the consent of each member, designate which committee member will serve the three (3) year, two (2) year, and one (1) year term. After the completion of a term, no member shall be eligible for re-election to the committee until after the lapse of one year.

Section 2. The Associational Executive Committee shall be composed of one lay member of all churches, the pastors of such churches, and the officers of the Association, as listed under Section 1 of Article IV, Twelve members of this committee shall constitute a quorum to transact business, after notice of such meeting has been mailed, or otherwise given to all members of the committee at least three days prior to the proposed meeting. Members of this committee

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

shall be elected by the churches annually.

Section 3. The Committee on Organized Churches shall consist of the Moderator, ex officio, three pastors, and three lay-persons. This committee shall be responsible for receiving letters of application for membership into the Association by organized Baptist Churches. This committee's responsibility shall be to communicate to applying churches the requirements of a cooperating church, as herein defined in Article I, section 5, paragraph 2 of the Ashe Baptist Association Constitution. Applying churches, upon recommendation of this committee, shall, with approval of the messengers at the annual session, serve one year under watch care of the Association. This committee shall work with this church during this period and then make final recommendations at the next annual meeting.

Section 4. The Program Committee shall consist of five members who shall prepare an order of business for the annual meeting, including the designating of persons to make reports as to the various objects supported by the Churches of the Association. The Associational office shall prepare copies of the same for distribution to those attending the annual sessions of the Association.

Section 5. The Committee on Place and Preacher shall consist of three members, who may be appointed by the Moderator, with consent of the Association. At each annual session, this Committee shall recommend to the Association a place, or places, for the holding of the annual meeting of the Association, and shall designate a minister to deliver the Associational sermon and an alternate.

Section 6. The Resolutions Committee shall consist of three members to be appointed by the Moderator. This Committee shall prepare and submit to the Association such resolutions as it may consider pertinent and proper for the good of the body.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

Section 7. The Nominating Committee shall name a Nominating Committee of five (5) members who shall bring to the second Executive Committee of the calendar year, (which is normally in April), for election of the following nominations: Clerk, Youth Director, Brotherhood Director, Discipleship Training Director, Evangelism Chairperson, Moderator, Music Director, Seminary Extension Director, Sunday School Director, and others who are invited to receive training at the Key Leadership Conference by the Baptist State Convention, (which is normally in May).

This Committee shall also present at the annual meeting for election all of the other committee members which are covered herein. Organizational heads will be named by their respective organizations and presented to the Nominating Committee at least two weeks before their nominations are presented to the Executive Committee at their second meeting, (which is normally in April).

If the organizations do not present their respective organizational heads two weeks prior to the April Executive Committee, then the Nominating Committee will select those needed and present their names to the second Executive Committee meeting (normally in April). The chairman of the Nominating Committee will contact these organizational heads before making these selections to be sure they have not already selected someone.

All other nominations shall be presented and elected on the first day of the annual meeting of the Association. All nominations at the Executive Committee meeting and the annual meeting are subject to additional nominations from the floor, and the expressed will of the Association.

Section 8. The Moderator is authorized and directed to appoint suitable persons at each session to prepare and present to the next session reports on the various subjects and causes customary to be presented and to notify such persons in due time before the meeting of the Association. (Refer to Article IV, Section 2.)

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

Section 9. The Board of Directors of the Ashe Baptist Summer Camp shall consist of nine members who shall initially be chosen, three (3) for one year, three (3) for two years, and three (3) for three years.

Of the said members, three shall be active pastors in the Association. After the completion of one term, no member shall be eligible for re-election to this board until after the lapse of one year. No more than one member of this board shall be chosen from any one church of the Association. The treasurer of the Ashe Baptist Summer Camp, (who shall serve in addition to the nine member Board of Directors), shall be elected by the Board of Directors on an indefinite basis. He/She shall have voting privileges as do other members.

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to cooperate with the officials, pastors, and Executive Committee of the Association in promoting and advancing the development and operation of the camp; to supervise and direct the work of the camp; and to make a report to the Association at each annual meeting. Vacancies occurring in this organization shall be filled in accordance with the provision of Section 7 thereof.

Section 10. The Mission Committee shall consist of seven (7) members, five (5) of which shall be heads of the following organizations: Sunday School, Discipleship Training, Brotherhood, WMU and Church Music. The names of these five (5) shall be submitted to the Associational Nominating Committee by their respective organizations and voted on by the full body on the first day of the annual meeting. The other two (2) members shall be active pastors in the Association and they shall be named by the Associational Nominating Committee. They too shall be elected along with the organizational heads. Should any of the before mentioned organizations fail to submit the name of a person nominated by themselves to serve as head of that organization, then the Associational Nominating Committee shall be responsible for nominating that person.

These seven (7) people shall constitute the

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

Associational Missionary Search Committee, when such a need arises. This Committee shall work with the Associational Missionary in promoting the work of the Association and lead and assist in determining need for beginning new missions stations and organizing new churches. The Moderator and Associational Missionary shall be ex officio members of this committee.

Section 11. The Ordination Committee shall consist of five (5) members, all of whom must be ordained ministers, meeting the qualifications as stated in I Timothy 3:1-7, and who are members of cooperating churches of the Ashe Baptist Association. The Chairman, at his discretion, may invite the pastor of a candidate to sit with the committee. Churches of the Association desiring to ordain a preacher to the Gospel ministry, and desiring to use the services of the Ordination Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association, shall use the following procedure.

1. The Church in conference shall vote to ask the Ordination Committee to examine the candidate and so notify the chairman.
2. The candidate shall meet the following conditions before ordination:
   (a) Hold membership in a cooperating Missionary Baptist church.
   (b) Shall have held a license to preach, issued by a cooperating Missionary Baptist Church for not less than six months.
3. The chairman shall set a suitable time and place, notifying the members, for the examination.
4. The candidate shall be examined as to his conversion, call to the ministry, doctrinal beliefs, and attitude toward our denomination and its programs.
5. The Committee Chairman shall notify the church of its recommendations and they may proceed with the ordination.

Section 12. The Evangelism Committee, composed of 5

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

members, shall promote the work of Evangelism in the churches and the Association in cooperation with the State Department of Evangelism. All plans and programs are to be subject to the approval of the Association, or its Executive Committee.

Section 13. The Nominating Committee shall nominate a Committee on Constitution and By-Laws consisting of five members, of which the first named shall serve as chairman. It shall be the duty of this committee to receive, examine and make recommendations to the Association on all proposed amendments to the Constitution or the By-Laws.

Section 14. The Nominating Committee shall nominate a Properties Committee, which shall consist of three members, and shall have the responsibility of recommending the purchase of necessary property, and the construction of necessary buildings. This Committee shall recommend any repairs and improvements needed on Associational property beyond normal repair. All recommendations are subject to approval by the Executive Committee between sessions or the full-body session.

Section 15. The Committee on Finance, composed of five (5) members and the treasurer, shall study the Association's financial needs for an adequate program, prepare and present a budget to the Association for the following year, devise and develop plans for securing the cooperation of churches in providing funds to meet the budget. The treasurer will submit a complete financial report at the annual meeting in August.

Section 16. The Committee on Youth shall be composed of at least nine (9) members, three (3) of whom shall be ministers. The Chairman, also called "Youth Director," shall be selected from within their own ranks. The Committee shall be concerned with ways of relating youth to the churches of the Association and shall lead the Churches and Association to plan programs and activities that will meet their needs.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

Section 17. The Seminary Extension Committee, composed of five (5) members, shall work with the chairman of the Committee to plan, promote and implement the offering of such courses of study as will meet the needs of pastors and lay-persons in the areas of Biblical studies, historical theology,
Baptist life, church administration, Christian education, and pastoral training.

Section 18. There shall be five (5) trustees of the Association. They shall handle all legal matters of the Association under the direction of the said Association. Trustees shall be elected for an indefinite term and shall serve at the pleasure of the Association.

Section 19. The Associational Historian, in his/her sole discretion, shall collect facts of interest to the Association and the cooperating churches, and shall make a report to each annual session of the Association. In addition, he/she shall contact hosting churches of the annual meeting and request a brief history of each church for publication in the Book of Reports and the Associational Annual.

Article VI
Meetings and Reports

Section 1. The Association shall hold an annual meeting convening in the month of August of each year, at such time and place as may be designated or authorized by the previous session.

Section 2. Each organization within the Association shall make a written report to the Association at each annual meeting.

Section 3. A special session of the Association may be called by the Moderator with the approval of the Executive Committee.

Article VI
Meetings and Reports (continued)

Section 4. The Associational Executive Committee shall meet quarterly.

Article VII
Order of Religious Exercises

Section 1. At the annual meeting the Associational Sermon shall be delivered as herein before provided.

Section 2. In addition to the Associational Sermon, the Program Committee shall designate a minister to deliver at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while such sermons are being delivered. No sermon shall be scheduled so as to conflict or interfere with the business sessions of the Association or the presentation of reports to the Association.

Article VIII
Amendments

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present, and voting on the second day, provided that such amendment is presented in writing on the first day, or that notice of such amendment shall have been given during the previous annual session.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1. We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three Persons in the God-head; the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.
2. We believe that the Bible, the Old and New Testament, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.
3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES (continued)

4. We believe that Salvation is by Grace through Faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.
5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order
6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.
7. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace and Glory.
8. We believe in a separate resurrection and judgment, both for the righteous, and unrighteous dead.
9. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer and operate under standard parliamentary procedure.

2. When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak, he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than once on any subject except by permission of the body..

5. It shall be counted disorderly for any member to stand up, leave the house, or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

Highlights

Fall 1996

from the

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD

We will lead Southern Baptist to be on mission with God to bring all the peoples of the world to saving faith in Jesus Christ.

As in all past years, our Lord has abundantly blessed the work of the Foreign Mission Board through countless ways. We wish to thank all Southern Baptists for their roles which under gird the FMB. Without the concerted, cooperative effort of all Southern Baptist churches, the work and mission of the FMB would be only a shadow of its present position.

We are distinctly privileged to follow our Lord's command found in the Great Commission. Each year brings us closer to taking the gospel to all nations (best rendered as ethno-linguistic people groups).

The following annual growth levels reflect the combined reports from all foreign mission points as of the start of this year:

A record number of newly constituted churches: 2,612
Total number of countries where missionaries reside: 131
Total number of baptisms overseas: 287,806
Number of new people groups touched by the gospel: 41
Baptisms among least-reached peoples: 6,548
Total number of missionaries: 4,129
Total number of short-term volunteers: Over 15,000
Total number of newly appointed missionaries: 544
Record amount of Lottie Moon Offering: $89.9 million
Increase in enrollment in discipleship programs: 74%
Number of new cities opened to the gospel: 528

Southern Baptists support the Foreign Mission Board in multiple ways. Daily prayer assistance tops the list. Likewise, sacrificial giving through the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering have provided innumerable opportunities to spread the gospel. As missionaries preached, taught, healed and counseled, you were there. The Foreign Mission Board counts it an honor to partner with you to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ to every shore.

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, and on profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now, in the presence of God, angels and the assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into this covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness and comfort to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain worship, ordinances, discipleship and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church and the relief of the poor; and the spread of the Gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealing, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger, to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense but always ready for reconciliation; and mindful of the rule of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.

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BAPTIST COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY REPORT 1996

Since 1834 North Carolina Baptist Colleges and Universities have been privileged to have many splendid presidents. The current presidents are listed on this page. They were elected to take the lead in dreaming, shaping and managing Baptist higher education in North Carolina.

Two colleges, Mars Hill and Chowan, have new presidents. Let us introduce them to you.

Dr. A. Max Lennon was named president of Mars Hill College, effective March 1. Both he and Mrs. Lennon (Ruth Ann) are graduates of Mars Hill. Dr. Lennon brings a rich background in business and higher education to his new task. After earning the B.S. and Ph.D. degrees at North Carolina State University, he served in the administration of Texas Tech University, the University of Missouri, Ohio State University and Clemson University, where he was the president. He comes to Mars Hill from the presidency of Eastern Foods, Inc. in Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. Lennon, an active Baptist churchman, has been a member of the National Fellowship of Baptist Men. In Atlanta they were members of the First Baptist Church in Peachtree City, where he taught Sunday School and was a member of the strategic planning committee. He is on the board of directors of numerous corporations and foundations, among them First Union Corporation and Duke Power. In accepting the presidency of Mars Hill he said, "This is a wonderful opportunity to provide leadership for this college and boldly proclaim our faith in Jesus Christ."

Dr. Stanley G. Lott moved to North Carolina in July to become president of Chowan College. He comes from Louisiana College, a Baptist school, where he was vice president for academic affairs for 15 years. Earlier he has been a faculty member at Tift College in Georgia. Dr. Lott earned two doctorates, one in systematic theology from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, and the other in higher education administration from the University of Georgia. An

ordained Baptist minister, he has held two pastorates in Louisiana. Mercer University president Kirby Godsey said, "Stanley Lott is one of the finest educators and leaders in higher education today." Dr. and Mrs. Lott (Johnny) were long-time, active members of Emmanuel Baptist Church, near Louisiana College. Upon his election the new president said, "I look forward to joining hands with all who are part of Chowan College. I am also eager to join North Carolina Baptists in their efforts to spread the gospel and to preserve historic Baptist principles."

THE PRESIDENTS

Norman A. Wiggins
Campbell University

Stanley G. Lott
Chowan College

M. Christopher White
Gardner-Webb University

A. Max Lennon
Mars Hills College

John E. Weems
Meredith College

Jerry E. McGee
Wingate University

Thomas K. Hearn, Jr.
Wake Forest University

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HOSPITAL HIGHLIGHTS FOR 1996
DIVISION OF PASTORAL CARE

During this year the 18 to 40 Chaplains present at various time at the Hospital made over 55,000 pastoral contacts.

As of July 1, 1996, the counseling centers will be called CareNet, Inc., of the North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Inc. Over 26000 hours of counseling were provided through the eleven centers across the state of North Carolina. Two additional centers will open in the fall of this year.

The Center for Congregational Health has, since inception in 1992, provided ministry at some level to over 225 North Carolina Baptist Churches.

Mission dollars from the Cooperative Program enabled the above ministries to be carried out and to touch thousands of lives.

BAPTIST BENEVOLENT CARE FUND

North Carolina Baptists joined us in a mutual mission through the Mother's Day Offering. We channeled every penny of the MDO, which amounted to $461,647, to help patients who had no health-care insurance and no financial means to pay their hospital bills. We are grateful to everyone who made this ministry possible.

POINTS OF EMPHASIS AND PROGRESS

Financial Stewardship - The Medical Center is constantly seeking ways to lighten the financial burden of those who are ill. Recently the room rates were reduced by $50 per day.

Aegis - This is an alliance of primary-care clinicians who serve patients regardless of their medical plans or HMO/PPO affiliated. "Aegis" means protection or sponsorship: Aegis Family Health Centers is a network of primary care physicians affiliated with The Medical Center. It now has 33 providers in 10 practice sites.

QualChoice of North Carolina - QualChoice is the Medical Center's managed care company. Eighteen months old, it serves approximately 30,500 enrollees, giving quality health-

care and patient/physician choice.

Regional Integrated Information Network - RIDS is a regional computer network now in the pilot phases. The network allows providers in the region to exchange patient information electronically, saving time and money. RIDS is a plan which assists communities in our service area to develop a coordinated continuum of care. In this plan, primary care physicians, community hospitals, nursing homes and other patient care providers link their services with those of The Medical Center. The desired outcome is improved patient care and cost-effective services.

The J. Paul Sticht Center on Aging - The Center devotes itself to the special problems of older adults. When the center moves to its new home in 1996, its services will not only provide specialized health care but will also include a day care program for the elderly that will serve as a link between hospital and home, helping to reduce rates of rehospitalization and premature placement in nursing homes.

A CLOSING WORD

Since its founding in 1922, the Hospital has taken pride in our ministry of service. In doing so, we seek to make tomorrow's patient care and tomorrow's workplace constantly better. That has been our mission historically, and it continues to this day. 'I firmly believe that our best lies yet ahead, and I am committed to that reality.

Respectfully submitted,

Len B. Preslar, Jr.

Len B. Preslar, Jr.
President
The North Carolina Baptist
Hospitals, Incorporated

Making Life for Older Adults. . .

The Best of Times

The continuing goal of Baptist Retirement Homes is to provide more and better services for Older Adults. During 1996 several developments have moved us toward this goal.

Some new staff members have been added to help provide the kind of total care which residents need and deserve. Tanja Keay has been employed as Vice President of the Health Services Division. Paulette Richmond came as the new Manager of the Hamilton Baptist Home. Carla Hyde was named director of the small group program for residents with dementia, a program designed to enhance their quality of life. Patricia Fling is the director of the In Home Care Program which began a few months ago. Dr. Earl Watts, an Associate Professor at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine, is serving as the medical director for In Home Care.

Early in the year, renovation of the Hamilton Baptist Home was completed providing a more attractive and comfortable place for residents in that facility. The new Cecil and Gertrude Young Solarium at the Rickman Nursing Center in Asheville will provide space for the small group program for residents with dementia. At Brookridge, renovated space in the Assisted Living section, and named "Stokes Court", will house the new Assisted Independent Living Unit. A new passenger van will facilitate transportation for residents at the Taylor House in Albemarle as they attend church, keep appointments, go shopping, or participate in social/recreational events.

During the year, Baptist Retirement Homes has provided assistance in the planning for Cliffwood, a

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new continuing care retirement community being built in Fayetteville. Two Fayetteville churches, First Baptist and Snyder Memorial Baptist, have formed a non-profit corporation to lead this project. A 27 acre site has been selected. Plans call for 105 Independent Living units, 20 beds in Assisted Living, and 20 beds in a nursing care unit. All units will be available on a rental basis with no entrance fees.

The James M. Hayes Society has been formed to recognize and thank those persons who remember the Baptist Retirement Homes in their estate planning. Thirty-three charter members constitute this group named in honor of the "Homes" founding superintendent.

Finally, we recognize with deep gratitude those North Carolina Baptists who gave through their churches to support the ministry during the past year. Through the cooperative program, the special February Offering, and other church gifts, the "Homes" received a total of $1,030,052 during the 12 month period ending September 30, 1995.

The trustees and staff are grateful to North Carolina Baptists for helping us to make life for Older Adults ..**The Best of Times!**

William B. Stillerman, President
Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina, Inc.

Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina - 1996

Evelyn Alexander, Chairman of the Board

Primed for excitement after three hours waiting under a bright summer sky,hundreds of spectators craned their necks and peered toward downtown Asheville June 26 when Michael Owen jogged into view -- carrying the Olympic Torch on outstretched arm. Michael, one of 1,422 children Baptist Children's Homes served in 1995-96, lives at Broyhill Homes in Clyde, one of 12 facilities BCH operates in North Carolina.

Smiling and waving to the crowds holding aloft tiny flags and cameras, Michael lifted the symbol of international unity and pointed to friends among those who lined the parade route.

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The entire Broyhill Home campus showed up, cheering wildly. They ate picnics at the end of Michael's route, and swarmed him when he passed the flame to the next carrier - a bicycle rider.

It could have been a family reunion, or a school scene, or a re-creation for a movie on family support. But Michael, and most of his supporters, are children who have suffered unspeakable abuses at the hands of adults they trusted to care for them.

And the adults who waded into the mob scene of joy at the end of Michael's run are called of God to help young people like Michael and those who surrounded him deal with those issues, and to overcome them.

As a boy, Michael was so ashamed of his clothes he ran home from school, never stopping to make friends. Worse, he endured almost nightly beatings from his father. He was 11 years old before he realized other boys weren't beaten every night. Four years later he found the courage to tell his father he was leaving.

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"Go ahead, call someone," he yelled. "Leave."

Michael left. After six months in emergency care at Mills Home in Thomasville, he established a more permanent residence at Broyhill Home. Slowly, quietly his emotions mounted within him until one night he erupted and spilled forth his story, the years of secrets and lies, to his child care worker, Betty Porter. "She stayed up with me and we talked a long time," Michael said. That was his first lesson in trust and unconditional love.

"Broyhill has changed my life so much," Michael said. " For almost a year I didn't trust anybody, but finally I felt a calmness I know was the Lord. Here I found the Lord and now I try to live every day for Him."

Michael's story is repeated hundreds of times each year at Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina. Not all are as dramatic as a boy who grew from a punching bag to a torch bearer.

But at four residential campuses, six emergency care cottages, two homes for behaviorally troubled girls, a maternity home, a home for teenage mothers and their babies, therapeutic camping and model day care, more than 1,400 children and their families find help in a troubled time.

During the past year BCH received almost $1.5 million through the Cooperative Program, and $663,000 through the Thanksgiving Offering. Total church gifts of almost $3 million comprised 26.2 percent of BCH operating revenue.

BCH is in the midst of a $10.1 "Light Their Way" Campaign to raise money for operations, capital needs and endowment. At the halfway point in June, more than $5.4 million had been committed to BCH through the campaign.

Videos of the Children's presentation at the 1995 State

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Baptist Convention are available by calling the communications office at (800) 476-3669. You can also ask for the latest videos to tell you about your ministry to children and families through Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina.

Although Michael carries many fond memories of Baptist Children's Homes with him as he heads for college this Fall, his earliest amazements were the secure sleep he got when he laid his head down, and of receiving his first pair of Nikes so he didn't have to be embarrassed by his appearance.

From head to toe BCH cares for children and families. Thank you for helping to Light Their Way.

Michael C. Blackwell
President since 1983

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Christian Action League of North Carolina, Inc.
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1996

In a recent survey released by the Family Research Council, 66% of those polled said that our country was headed down "the wrong track". When asked whether the nation's wrong direction could be attributed to the lack of jobs and economic health or a decline in moral values and family breakdown, over 60% indicated the latter. We at the Christian Action League agree that our state and nation need a restoration of biblical, moral and family values. In 1996 we were honored to assist communities in their battles for civic and moral righteousness and to promote laws in the General Assembly that have helped to restore family values to the State of North Carolina.

A. **Christian Values**

The Christian Action League joined with other Christian organizations to promote Christian Heritage Week in North Carolina, March 17-23. We experienced a wonderful week as presentations and commemorations were held in many churches, schools and communities across our state. The week culminated with an awards ceremony and reception for the winners of the statewide essay contest and their families. The League provided decorations and programs for the event and hosted the reception at the State Archives and History Building in Raleigh.

The League undertook a project in association with the American Rights Coalition to distribute thousands of copies of the Ten Commandments throughout North Carolina. To date, over 5,000 copies of the 11 X 14 prints have been distributed throughout the state to individuals and churches.

B. **Lottery**

We saw renewed efforts to push a lottery bill through the General Assembly for a state-wide referendum. Representative Fitch introduced two lottery bills HB 6060 (Rules Committee) and HB 838 (JII Committee). The League actively lobbied against these bills and both bills died in their respective committees. North Carolina continues to be the largest state in the nation and the only state in the Bible belt with no state-sponsored gambling. Please keep us in prayer as the League faces this battle each year.

C. **Sex Education**

CAL actively lobbied for HB 834, Abstinence Until Marriage, a law that mandated that abstinence until marriage be the focus in sex education in North Carolina schools and was passed in the 1995 session. CAL and other pro-family, Christian organizations have been working with the Dept. of Public Instruction and State Board of Education in 1996 encouraging them to implement the law through abstinence-based curricula. We have also assisted communities in seeing that this law is properly implemented at the local level.

D. **Homosexuality**

CAL participated in efforts to get SB 1487 (No Same-Sex Marriage) passed during the short session of the General Assembly. The bill passed both houses and became law.

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Alerted our members in the Winston-Salem area about the Family March on June 30 and encouraged them to notify their churches to participate. This march was in response to the homosexual community march held in that city. The Family March attendance was estimated at 8,000.

E. **Abortion**

The League actively supported Representative Decker's HB 624, a Woman's Right to Know. This bill would have required the doctor to share vital information with the patient about the risks of abortion and would require a 24-hour waiting period. We were disappointed that the bill did not pass this session; however, we will work for its passage again next session.

F. **Alcohol**

CAL assisted several communities in setting up an organization to combat liquor referendums.

My friends, we are living in times when the Christian community needs to exercise spiritual discernment and stand strong for Biblical principles that further righteousness, strengthen families and bless our state and nation. We are grateful to God for the prayer and financial support that the League receives from the churches of your association that allow us to be on the front lines in this spiritual warfare.

Respectfully Submitted,

Johnny R. Henderson *Joe S. Lennon*

Johnny R. Henderson, Executive Director Joe S. Lennon, President

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The Home Mission Board (HMB) is a missionary-sending agency of the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC). With national offices in the Atlanta, Georgia area, the HMB's purpose is to serve Southern Baptists by assisting churches to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ, start and grow New Testament congregations, and minister to people in the name of Christ.

As of December 31, 1995, there were 4,857 missions personnel serving in the United States, the Caribbean, Guam, American Samoa, and Canada. The HMB also has endorsed more than 2,400 chaplains who are serving in healthcare agencies, institutions, businesses, the military, and pastoral-care roles. Nearly 2,300 Mission Service Corps volunteers are serving on home mission fields. During the year there were 1,458 church starts, the second highest number in 10 years. Southern Baptist churches baptized 393,811, people in 1995, an increase of nearly 15,000 over 1994.

Approximately half of the HMB's support comes from the annual Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for Home Missions. In 1995, gifts to the offering totaled $38, 908,339, the largest in HMB history. One hundred percent of the offering goes to support the work of home missionaries in the field. The 1996 Annie Armstrong Easter Offering goal is $42 million. About 35 percent of the HMB's income comes from the denomination's Cooperative Program.

The following is a summary of program/support ministry highlights from 1995:

Chaplaincy Ministries-- The 2,412 Southern Baptists now serving as chaplains and pastoral counselors reported more than 27,000 professions of faith. During the year, 179 Southern Baptist ministers were endorsed for the first time by the Chaplains Commission of the SBC.
Church Loans-- The Church Loans Division closed 98 church loans totaling $25 million, including $3.4 million of refinancing.

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Associational Administrative Service-- In more than 1,025 associations, 950 associational missionaries have an extremely significant role in leading churches to strategize and work in partnership to evangelize, minister, and start churches in all places and among all people groups.

Language Missions-- Home missionaries in the Language Church Extension Division worked among 106 ethnic groups and 98 American Indian tribes, using 106 languages and dialects, in addition to sign language.

Volunteers-- Volunteers continue to serve in record numbers and represent more than $100 million in value to the HMB. In 1995, more than 70,000 persons served as volunteers. Mission Service Corps missionaries, numbering 2,193, represent a cadre of committed people responding to God's call to be personally involved in home missions. They were responsible for leading more than 5,600 people to Christ.

Prayer and Spiritual Awakening-- The Home Missions Intercessory Prayerline received 82,000 calls in 1995. Missionary prayer requests were given in more than 178,000 English and Spanish *PrayerGrams.*

Mass Evangelism-- This department assisted in implementing the *Here's Hope. Jesus Cares for You.* Harvest Revivals. An estimated 25,000 to 35,000 churches participated in some portion of the *Here's Hope* emphasis.

Alternatives to Abortion Ministries-- As a result of ministries in 37 crisis pregnancy centers, 806 persons prayed to receive Christ and 1,823 babies were born.

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ASSOCIATIONAL DISCIPLESHIP REPORT

The Associational discipleship goal in the Ashe Association is to serve as a support system for the discipling efforts of the local church. Those serving in associational discipleship leadership do so in order to encourage and assist the churches to discover discipling needs, determine strategies and methodologies to meet those needs, and make every effort to provide for the spiritual progression of the people. Therefore, the goal is to begin new discipling processes and to strengthen and support existing growth options.

Discipleship Training is strong in several of our churches and Ashe Association and as an association we have experienced substantial growth in the number of discipleship training being offered in our churches. Some of the exciting discipling opportunities offered this past year in some of our churches include Master Life and other Life courses, Experiencing God, Prayer and First Place. There are also on going classes for children and youth using many of the new materials now available to us. We are thankful to the churches that continue to have strong Discipleship Training in their churches as well as those churches that are just beginning. Churches that have a strong Discipleship Program excel in three major areas; Sunday School enrollment, baptisms, and giving. Disciples ship Training can happen any time that best fits members schedule.

When reporting Discipleship any training or study that you do that is not reported under Sunday School or Vacation Bible School is considered Discipleship Training and should be reported as such.

If you have any questions or need assistance further information please feel free to call me any time.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Blackburn
Associational Discipleship Supporter

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REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATION--1996

The headlines each day--Bosnia, Belfast, Saudi Arabia, taxes, school funding, presidential elections, etc.--often include Southern Baptists. The secular media show special interest in our conflicts but all too often do not tell the whole story of the good things Baptists are doing.

The Biblical Recorder attempts to tell the whole story--the many positive things people are doing in their churches along with the negative issues which cannot be concealed and ignored if we honor our heritage from yesterday and fulfill our mission for tomorrow.

There is no way to address these issues without correct and reliable information. The Biblical Recorder was born and continues to serve for that purpose. In the 163 years of state Baptist papers in North Carolina, never was the Recorder more needed than now for people to have the truth. We live in an electronic media age where many think they have the answers to the issues but they do not because they do not read, only look and listen!

An informed Baptist is a better Baptist; an uninformed Baptist may be an uninvolved or disruptive Baptist. No democracy, including our local churches, can survive long without an informed, involved constituency which makes decisions based upon accurate information from reliable sources.

The Biblical Recorder should not in every Baptist home in North Carolina. Your support as a subscriber and reader, coupled with your encouragement to others, will enable the

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paper to better serve the constituency with accurate and helpful information.

In order to save churches large amounts of money and to increase the readership of the Recorder, Church News Service (CNS) was launched in 1990. This system lets any congregation have their church news incorporated into the Biblical Recorder which saves staff time, postage and printing costs. Usually, for less than what it costs to produce the church newsletter, CNS gives the entire Baptist communication package to each family in the congregation. Recent and anticipated increases in mailing costs make CNS a greater value in 1996-97 than when it started in 1990.

The paper focuses more and more attention on North Carolina Baptists with news, features and inspirational articles which will encourage individuals and churches in their witness and ministry. One sure way to conquer problems and overcome the barriers to effective witness and ministry is to have the facts, know the issues and be adequately informed.

That is why the Recorder was born; that is why it serves today. For more information on how your church can subscribe or use CNS, contact:

The Biblical Recorder
232 West Millbrook Road
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Evangelism Report

To: Ashe Baptist Association

From: Rev. David Blackburn,
Evangelism Committee Chairman

Date: July 29, 1996

Subj.: Report and Information for 1995-96

I believe that if you attempt great things for God you can expect great things from God. Jesus placed a strong emphasis on conversion when He said "ye must be born again" (John 3:7) and on Discipleship when He said "If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed (John 8:31).

The Great Commission commands us to make disciples by teaching them to observe all things that He has commanded. Evangelism is not complete until the evangelized become evangelistic. Thus the church, as the body of Christ, has the responsibility of helping each new Christian develop in his Christian life after bringing him into fellowship. A church member who leads another person to faith in Christ then has a special obligation to assist the new Christian in growing toward Spiritual maturity. In finishing the task of evangelism encourage new Christians to become actively involved in Bible Study, church training, the church and in missions.

We must not let evangelism die in our churches. I encourage each of you to be involved in any and all of the following suggested activities in the 1996-97 church year.

Prayer for the lost
Revivals
Vacation Bible School
Soul Winning Commitment Day
Witness Training, by Evangelism Committee
Special events to attract lost people
Visitation Programs

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Priority assessment in your church

If you are wanting your church to grow consider three areas in which to set priorities:

1. a schedule for the year
2. a budget to include evangelism and discipleship opportunities
3. the people-elect/ choose people who have a heart for evangelism and or discipleship and let them lead

Pray for God's Holy Spirit to lead you and your church in evangelism this year. Special thanks to Mission Home Baptist Church, Bristol Baptist Church and Pleasant Home Baptist Church for hosting the Evangelism Training sessions for this past year.

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Sunday School Report 1996

From an unidentified location up the river comes a strong beam of light. A powerful stream of light shines across both sides of the river, searching for markers and channel information that help the tug boat pilot find his way downstream. Without a powerful light that illuminates the path hundreds of feet ahead of the vessel - the boat pilot could miss a turn, misread a marker, or hit debris that had drifted into the path of the boat. As the powerful beam of light cuts through the darkness along the river, the pilot is able to navigate the waters to reach the destination.

Jesus Christ outshines any light source created by human hands. He illuminates the heart and guides us toward eternal safety and security. Jesus called Himself the Light of the World. Our challenge as Christians is to shine His Light so others can be drawn to Him. "Carry the Light - Share Christ's Love" is the Sunday School's plan for taking the Light of life to all people. By doing the six basic tasks of Sunday School we will be sharing Christ's love and carrying His Light.

1. Reach People for Bible Study and Worship.
2. Teach People the Bible
3. Care For People (Ministry)
4. Witness to People
5. Fellowship With People
6. Lead People to Worship

The ASSISTeam has provided invaluable training during this past year. We along with the Discipleship Training Dept. hosted Dr. Ralph Hodge from the Baptist Sunday School Board in November. Dr. Hodge shared with us the importance of Bible Study and Spiritual Growth disciplines. He encouraged us to use the wonderful resources available from the Sunday School Board to meet the challenge God has placed before us.

The ASSISTeam also hosted Phil Stone form the North Carolina State Baptist Convention Office in March. Phil talked to us about the tasks of the Sunday School and how to do a

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"Countdown to Evangelism Through the Sunday School"

This year's VBS clinic provided the same standard of excellence as past clinics. It provided excellent ideas and creative ways to "Go For the Goal".

Those serving on the ASSISTeam this past year were:

Dorothy Witherspoon	Director
Lawrence Goodman	Adults
Phyllis Pugh, Teshia Dillard	Youth
Vickie Young, Tina Key	Children
Judy Moser, Nancy Watson	Preschool
Dianne Dixon	VBS

Phyllis Pugh has moved, Judy and Tina desire a deserved break. Both have been on the team several years and their dedication to Sunday School Work is greatly appreciated. We are looking to replace these three, so if the Lord speaks to your heart, please call us.

The focus of ASSIST work is shifting to one-on-one consultations. We will, however, be offering a training school using the new teaching books. Please call if you desire any help with your Sunday School.

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BAPTIST SUMMER CAMP REPORT

This year Blue Ridge Electric installed two security lights. The old shrubbery was removed and was replaced with new shrubbery. Mulch was hauled to the site and spread.

The stained sections in the kitchen were repaired and painted. Also trim and wood work in kitchen was painted.

Mrs. Ann Eldreth continues on a part-time basis to do cleaning and inspection. High Country Improvements does maintenance as needed. Much of the work done is on a volunteer basis.

Mr. Leonard Jordan chaired the committee for the Camp this year and has done a fine job in keeping things running as smoothly as possible. Bookings for the Baptist Campground may be made through the Association office.

Enjoy the Campground and keep it beautiful!

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONAL YOUTH COUNCIL

May God be praised for all that He has done in the last year! The Youth Council sponsored "A New Beginning Crusade" in September which was held at the First Baptist Church parking lot. Rev. Neal Hatfield delivered inspiring messages from the word of God.

During the crusade, many young people made professions of faith and others made commitments such as re-dedications and seeking God's will for their lives. Many came forward expressing concern for the spiritual welfare of their friends and praying to be a witness for our Lord.

I want to thank the members of the Youth Council for their hard work and dedication during the planning of the crusade and to those who gave their time and effort so willingly to serve on various crusade committees. Also, a special thank you to each church that donated financially, and for the prayers that were made on behalf of our young people. Contributions were received from the following churches:

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Clifton $100.00, Wagoner $50.00, Pleasant Home $100.00, Beaver Creek $50.00, Liberty Grove $100.00, Orion $50.00, Friendly Grove $250.00, Phoenix $500.00, and Old Fields $100.00. The following businesses donated for the crusade: Bill Burkett Insurance $100.00, Dr. Pepper Bottling $149.00, and Jefferson Rent-All $115.50. Our sincere appreciation for their contributions.

The total expenses of the crusade were $2,436.14 leaving a current balance of $3,074.18.

We, as the Ashe Baptist Associational Youth Council want to encourage the churches of the Association to continue to pray for the Youth Council as we attempt together to meet the needs of our youth. Pray that God will guide the Youth Council, give us discernment, directions, and desire for the time that is ahead.

What a great joy it is to share the gospel of Jesus Christ!

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Furches, Chairman

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SEMINARY EXTENSION REPORT

This past year Rev. Jack Pugh taught a course on sermon preparation. Rev. Roger Newton taught a course on Old Testament Survey, Part II. Both of these classes were taught at Fletcher Memorial Church. I would like to encourage pastors and lay persons alike to take advantage of the courses offered in order to grow in knowledge and service as ambassadors for Jesus Christ.

God's call to preach or teach is a call to prepare and to develop our potential. "The cloak that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring with thee, and the books, but especially the parchments" (IITimothy 4:13). Paul was a Spirit-filled preacher, a miracle worker, missionary, and a student who knew the value of systematic study.

If you have not had the opportunity to attend college or seminary, the courses offered by seminary Extension will be beneficial to your growth and development as a pastor or teacher.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Carroll Arant
Seminary Extension Director

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MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Missions Committee of Ashe Baptist Association has been very busy looking at the position of Director of Missions for our Association. We came to this awesome task with a great desire for God to direct our path. As we discussed our current status, we realize that we do not have a clear mission to direct us. We also realized that we are not ready to search for a new Director of Missions because we don't know what the members of the Association want the Association to be.

After much consideration, we are excited about our decision. We believe the first thing we must do is define our mission and from that mission write a job description for a Director of Missions to carry out. We, then, will be able to start our search for a new Director of Missions.

How to arrive at this mission statement became our next task. At this point, the concept of a consultant was brought to our attention. We can contract with a person to meet with all pastors, church leaders and lay members in the Association to listen to them. This consultant would then report his findings to the Missions Committee and work with us to develop a mission statement that all churches can support. We want this consultant to be a person with experience, who does not know the Association and who is absolutely not interested in the position of Director of Missions.

After much prayer and consideration, it is our recommendation that the Association contract with a consultant to aid us in our task. We will bring, to the Executive Committee, on July 11, 1996 the name of Rev. W. C. McKinney to serve Ashe Baptist Association for a period of approximately one year. Rev. McKinney has served as pastor and a Director of Missions. Although he is retired, Rev. McKinney feels the Lord is calling him into this work and he is willing to work with us. He shared with us that his former job helped him gain many skills that will aid him in this undertaking. Rev. McKinney lives in Wilkes and will be able to commute. He is willing to take this position for 1/3 the salary that we would pay a Director of Missions since he will

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be working about 1/3 the time.

We also will be asking for extended hours, so a secretary can keep up with all the office tasks. This would allow the Association Office to be open and available for at least a period of time each week.

We will be bringing this recommendation to the Executive Committee on July along with the Budget Committee's revised budget to support this plan. The budget revision will be presented by the Budget Committee.

We ask each church to fervently pray and determine what God is saying to you about our Association. We also ask that each church make every effort to have a representative at the Executive Committee meeting on July 11. At the meeting, the plan will be fully explained and we will attempt to answer any questions that you may have. It is our desire to serve you, so please come share with us.

This report was presented on July 11, 1996. The Executive Committee approved it's adoption. This report represents the work of your Missions Committee for this Associational year.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS REPORT

The Ashe Baptist Association Executive Committee held its regular meetings this year. There was no special meeting of the association this year.

The October meeting scheduled for Clifton Baptist Church did not have enough members in attendance to conduct business. This meeting would have been postponed but there was a break in the weather about mid morning, everyone thought, with the break the meeting could be held. Then about mid day the rains came down heavy and there was a lot of flooding in the county and members could not attend.

We held our January meeting at Friendly Grove Baptist Church. A new Clerk/Treasurer, Linda Blevins, was elected at this meeting. Rev. Jack Pugh discussed the upcoming trip to South Africa. It was also decided to purchase a new projector and screen.

The April meeting was held at Phoenix Baptist Church. Jack Pugh presented a report and video on his trip to South Africa. There were also reports given by the Nominating Committee and the Evangelism Committee. Linda Blevins, our new Clerk/Treasurer attended her first executive committee meeting. Director of Missions Jack Pugh gave his resignation as Associational Missionary to become the pastor of Oak Grove Baptist Church in Mount Airy.

The July meeting was held at Fletcher Memorial Baptist Church. The Missions Committee reported to the committee. They recommended that a Consultant be hired to work with the Association for a short period of time to help with a mission statement an a job description. Bobby Stafford was a special guest speaker from the State Baptist Convention.

The minutes of all the meetings are in this report booklet please refer to them for detailed information.

This truly is an unique time in our Association. Events that have taken place this year have called upon each of us to give extra time to the work of the Association. It is a time for pulling together of all Churches supporting our Association in some way let us make this the beginning of a cooperative era in which we all strive to make this an ideal Association working

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with and for all its churches in a great way.

Thanks to all of these Churches for their hospitality and cooperation in hosting these meetings.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles King
Moderator

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING of the Ashe Baptist Association

The Executive Committee met at Friendly Grove Baptist Church on Thursday evening, January 4, 1996, at 7:00 p.m.

Charles King, Moderator, called the meeting to order and called on Rev. Ray Minton, Interim Pastor of Friendly Grove Baptist Church, to welcome everyone and to lead in prayer.

There was no reading o f the Minutes because the last Executive Committee meeting which had been scheduled at Clifton Baptist Church was cancelled due to inclement weather.

Peggy Powers, in the absence of the Associational Clerk, Jeannie McNeill, had the roll call of the churches with the following 19 churches represented: Big Laurel, Buffalo, Clifton, Fletcher, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Grassy Creek, Laurel Knob, Liberty Grove, Midway, Mission Home, Mt. Olive, North Beaver, Orion, Pleasant Home, Round Knob, Tuckerdale, Wagoner and Welcome Home.

Jack Pugh, Director of Missions, gave the Treasurer's report for the past three months. Motion to adopt the report as read was made by Rev. David Blackburn, seconded by Charles Severt, approved and carried.

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Moderator King read a letter from the Three Forks Association asking for people who would volunteer to go to upper New York State to assist in a major construction project including repairing roofs and other renovation projects of churches, this project beginning in early May.

Director of Missions Pugh stated that the Associational Minutes should be ready by mid January. He then gave an update of the South African Alliance Partnership trip planned for March, including a brief description of part of the itinerary and some of the mission work that would be done. He stated he did not know which Association that the Ashe Association would be teamed with.

DOM Pugh stated that the Nominating Committee was going to present Linda Blevins as a candidate for Clerk/Treasurer of the Association and that she had agreed to take this position to replace Jeannie McNeill.

Moderator King brought up the Clerk/Treasurer matter and asked for the pleasure of the floor. Rev. Ervel Jones made a motion that we accept the Nominating Committee's candidate for Clerk/Treasurer, Rev. Larry Powers seconded the motion and the motion carried. It was stated by DOM Pugh that Jeannie would help Linda Blevins with the last quarterly reports.

Moderator King opened the floor for old business and there was none.

Director of Missions Pugh made a request for the Association to purchase a slide projector and screen to be used by the Director of Missions and the Associational churches. Rev. David Blackburn state that as far as the Bylaws of the Association go it should be okay to go ahead and purchase the projector and screen. Jerry South of Liberty Grove made a motion that the Association purchase the projector and screen, Colonel Blevins seconded the motion, and motion approved

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and carried.

Moderator King then asked for further business and there was none.

Rev. Darrell Lambert asked if the annual meeting had been changed and Moderator King stated that nothing definitely had been set.

Rev. Jerry Fuller, Interim Pastor of Orion Baptist Church, was recognized.

Freddie Walters of Friendship Baptist Church made a motion to adjourn, Rev. Darrell Lambert seconded the motion and Rev. Larry Powers closed with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peggy Powers, Acting Clerk

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING of the Ashe Baptist Association

The Executive Committee met at Phoenix Baptist Church on Thursday night, 4 April 1996 at 7 o'clock.

Charles King, Moderator, called the meeting to order. Rev. Ken Furches, pastor of Phoenix Baptist Church, welcomed everyone with invocation and devotion read from Ezekiel 33:1-9 subject being "The Worthy Watchman."

Association Clerk/Treasurer, Linda Blevins, had the roll call of the churches with the following 16 churches represented: Beaver Creek, Blue Ridge, Bristol, Buffalo, Fletcher, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Grassy Creek, Laurel Knob, Midway, Mission Home, North Beaver, Phoenix, Round Knob,

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Tuckerdale and Wagoner.

Linda Blevins read the minutes of the last meeting. Minutes were approved as read.

Linda Blevins also gave the Treasurer's report. A motion to approve was made by Rev. Ervel Jones, seconded by Fred Walters, voted on and carried.

Report on Evangelism Committee was given by Rev. David Blackburn. Three Witness Training workshops had been held during the year with good participation. One person was saved at the Trinity workshop. Also a two-day Family Life Crusade was held. The committee made the motion to have Witness Training workshops this year. The dates will be May 2, 16 and 23, 1996 at Mission Home, Bristol and Pleasant Home Churches. They set a goal to have 120 people in service. Also they would like to plan another Family Life Crusade on August 10 & 11, 1996. These plans were given the go ahead. The Committee requests prayer for these projects.

Nominating Committee report was given by Director of Missions, Jack Pugh. A slate for the following nominations were given to be elected in April in order for them to attend Key Leadership May 13-14, 1996:

Youth Council Chairman:	Rev. Ken Furches
Discipleship Training Director:	Mrs. Linda Blackburn
Evangelism Chairman:	Rev. David Blackburn
Moderator:	Mr. Charles King
Music Director:	Rev. Wade Ivey
Seminary Extension:	Rev. Jerry Francis
Sunday School Assist Director:	Mrs. Dorothy Witherspoon

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of the Ashe Baptist Association (continued)

There were no nominations from the floor. Charles Severt moved to accept these nominations. Seconded by Terry Hartsog and motion carried.

Moderator King opened the floor for old business. The date of the Annual Meeting was discussed but no motions were made in this matter. The August dates will remain. There was no other discussions or motions under old business.

The floor was opened by Moderator King for new business. D.O.M. Jack Pugh expressed a special note concerning a way to show appreciation to Jeannie McNeil, who served as Clerk/ Treasurer for more than 20 years. It was decided to turn this over to the Resolutions Committee. There were no motions or other new business.

Director of Missions Pugh gave a report and video presentation of his trip to South Africa as highlighted on the attached page. Director Pugh stated that over half of expenses have already been raised for the next trip. $210.00 to be added to amount shown on the financial report because he brought back that amount that had been given or his personal expenses on the first trip by R. B. Cearley.

Director of Missions Pugh gave his resignation as Associational Missionary to become the pastor of Oak Grove Baptist Church in Mount Airy, North Carolina. His resignation would be effective June 15, 1996. He also stated that he had made arrangements with Oak Grove Baptist Church and would be available for the next mission trip. Motion was made by Rev. Ken Furches to have D.O.M. Pugh to continue with this trip for the next time. Motion was seconded by Joe Rash and carried. Rev. Pugh stated that he would be available after June 16, 1996 on Sunday evenings to promote the trip.

The Missions Committee will meet to start looking for a new Director of Missions.

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Motion to adjourn was made by Charles Severt and seconded by Rev. David Blackburn. Rev. Ervel Jones closed with prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Blevins, Clerk

Report on Africa Trip by Rev. Jack Pugh

The churches of the Ashe Baptist Association made it possible for me to travel to South Africa March 12-22 of this year. Along with 21 other North Carolina Baptists we flew from Charlotte to London (7 Hrs), spent the day in London and flew out to Johannesburg that evening, again flying all night (11 Hrs.). In Johannesburg we met with missionary personnel at Baptist International Missions Services for one night's lodging and orientation.

At that point we flew to various destinations in South Africa, Lesotho, and Swaziland. Jerry Lethco, from the Wilmington Association, and I flew to Durban on the Eastern coast, which is the Indian Ocean. The following pictures give you some idea of what we saw and experienced. I have 30 minutes of video, which was edited from 2-3 hours of video.

The first pictures are of London, BIMS, Home of Dennis, Cindy, Andrea, Rachel and Morgan Jones. Pietermaritzburg Evening session of Natal Associational meeting at Pietermaritzburg Central Baptist Church, which was a banquet, singing, and annual message. Saturday Session of Associational meeting at Eastwood Baptist Church, Pietermaritzburg.Township of Quatabega, pictures from auto, poor section, many squatters. Quatabega Baptist Church services and pictures of surrounding area. The Pastor is called, "Pastor Blessing" Actually "M low vo". This is a Zulu congregation on the edge of a squatter town. One adult lady saved during the

Report on Africa Trip by Rev. Jack Pugh (continued)

service. Evening meeting - Durban West Baptist Church of mostly colored, a few black white and Indian. Pastorless Zulu area of Anonda of 1,000,000 people, day care in church. Valley of 1000 hills. Zulu rural area about 20 miles from Durban Zulu home. Emlasa Baptist Church where builder ripped them off leaving the building unsafe to be in. Home of Eric and Phyllis Hutton, blue monkeys, Hadida birds. Pinewood Baptist with prayer request and strategy meeting. Other Zulu church. Durban coast - Indian Ocean. Planning meeting with mission church . Africaan speech. NC partnership house in Johannesburg (Joburg). Sonny and Deen Sweatman.

Our next mission trip is up to the invitation of the South Africa Churches, maybe August, construction, evangelism, medical clinic, etc.

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING of the Ashe Baptist Association

The Executive Committee met at Fletcher Memorial Baptist Church on Thursday, July 11, 1996 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was call to order by the Moderator, Charles King. Rev. Carroll Arant, Pastor of Fletcher Memorial Baptist Church welcomed everyone with prayer and devotion read from Ephesians 6:11-18.

Linda Blevins, Clerk/Treasurer, read roll call with the following twenty-three churches represented: Beaver Creek, Big Flatts, Bristol, Buffalo, Fletcher, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Liberty Grove, Midway, Mission Home, Mount Olive, New River, North Beaver, Obids, Old Fields, Orion, Phoenix, Pleasant Home, Round Knob, Tuckerdale, Wagoner, Warrensville and Welcome Home.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the clerk and approved.

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The treasurer's report was read by Linda Blevins, Treasurer. A motion was made by Rev. David Blackburn and seconded by Fred Walters to approve the report as read. Motion carried.

Bobby Stafford, Director of Associational Development, from Baptist State Convention spoke concerning Directors of Missions and workings of Associations. Mr. Stafford had met with the Missions Committee and discussed the different aspects of selecting a Director of Missions.

The Missions Committee read their report (copy of which is attached) and moved for adoption of same. After brief discussion and questions the resolution was put to a vote. The motion carried unanimously.

A copy of the Budget Proposal prepared by the Finance Committee was distributed but no motions were made to adopt it as this will be voted on at the Annual Association meeting in August 1996.

Moderator King opened the floor for old business. There was no old business.

The floor was opened for new business. There were no motions or new business.

Motion was made to adjourn by Fred Walters and seconded by Rev. Billy Smith. Meeting adjourned with benediction from Bobby Stafford.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Blevins, Clerk

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SOUTHERN BAPTIST ANNUITY

A large percentage of retirees can expect to live twenty years or more after they leave the full-time work force. The need to accumulate a nest egg that can meet such a demand requires commitment to save and expertise in management. Social Security will never be more than a supplement at best. A basic pension of retirement income plan is absolutely essential to provide adequate money for all your tomorrows.

Last year was perhaps the best investment year in the seventy-eight year history of the Annuity Board. The returns are as follows:

Variable Fund	34.38%
Balanced Fund	25.01%
International Equity Fund	13.20%
Fixed Fund	5.96%

Approximately half of the pastors in Ashe Baptist Association participate in the Church Annuity Plan. We would like to encourage each church to help their pastor to participate in this Plan.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Carroll Arant

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CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE

The Christian League is a voluntary organization composed of concerned citizens brought together to oppose those destructive influences in society which contribute to the low level of public morality existing today. The League is dedicated to strengthening laws against gambling, alcohol, and commercialized vice in its many forms while emphasizing the basic importance of spiritual and moral values to the development and growth of the individual, the local community and the nation as a whole.

The Christian Action League of Ashe County is concerned with the growing influence of the media on public morality and the growing support for government sponsored gambling in our state. As Christians we must stand together in opposing a state lottery and para-mutual gambling in North Carolina, because it is destructive of families and opens the door for organized crime to enter our community.

The Christian League of Ashe County in association with the North Carolina League urges individuals and churches in our county to inform public officials of our opposition to the sale of beverage alcohol and liquors in North Carolina and to voice our concern with efforts to legalize para-mutual betting in our state. Additional goals for 1996-97 include the following:

A. To promote Christian values in our community

B. To eliminate alcoholic advertisements from the media

C. To educate the community about the destructive influences of alcohol on our lives

To attain these goals, we need the active support of all Christians in the Ashe Baptist Association. We invite all like-minded citizens to join with us in promoting the highest standards of Christian morality in the lives of our people.

Respectfully Submitted,

Delmas Parker

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PREACHER CONFERENCE REPORT

Meeting on the second Thursday night of each month the Preacher Conference is a time of fellowship and worship for those attending. Attended by an average of six pastors the Conference consisted of a business session and a message from God's Word by a preacher from the association, followed by a time of prayer. Special speakers included Neil Hatfield from the Uplands Reach Conference Center in Wilkes County and Steve Hagyman from the Billy Graham Training Center in Black Mountain, NC. The Preacher Conference is open to all Pastors and Ministers, and encourage any interested laypersons to attend the conference. As conference chairman I believe that the first step to an active and growing association is fellowship and communion among the pastors of its churches. I encourage all pastors to support the Preacher Conference and each other with your attendance and prayers.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wayne Jones
Preacher Conference
Chairman

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MINUTES FROM THE ONE-HUNDRED TENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The One-hundred tenth annual session of the Ashe Baptist Association met in regular session with New River Baptist Church hosting on Friday, August 16, 1996, at 2:00 p.m. Moderator Charles King opened the meeting by asking the congregation to stand while Brother Dewey Campbell and Rev. Jimmy Warden led in the singing of "Standing on the Promises."

Moderator King called on Rev. Jimmy Warden who then gave the welcome and devotion with scripture read from Psalm 122:1.

Moderator King conducted the seating of the messengers by asking them to stand. He also recognized the alternate messengers present. He then asked if there were any changes or additions to the order of business. There was addition to the order which was a special presentation to be done by Rev. Bill Ballou following the congregational hymn at 2:30 p.m. This being the only change, Rev. Ervel Jones of Midway Baptist Church moved for the adoption of this order of business, seconded by Rev. David Blackburn of Buffalo Baptist Church.

Visitors were then recognized, including Mr. Bill Morrow, Baptist Children's Homes Representative; Rev. W. Robert Spinks, Wake Forest University Representative and Rev. William C. McKinney.

Recognition of new pastors: Rev. Chuck Call of Clifton Baptist Church was present.

Moderator King then made Committee appointments as follows: Rev. Jerry Francis to the Resolutions Committee.

Roll call of the churches was conducted by Linda Blevins with the following thirty-four (34) churches having a messenger present: Bald Mountain, Beaver Creek, Bethel, Big Flatts, Big Laurel, Blue Ridge, Bristol, Buffalo, Calvary, Clifton, Fletcher Memorial, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Grassy Creek, Healing Springs, Landmark, Laurel Knob, Liberty Grove, Midway, Mission Home, Mount Olive, New River, North Beaver, Oak Hill, Obids, Phoenix, Pleasant Home, Pleasant Valley, Round Knob, Three Forks, Trinity, Tuckerdale, Warrensville and Welcome Home.

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The History of New River Baptist Church was given by Tammy Huffman.

The Congregational Hymn, "Blessed Assurance" was led by Rev. Wade Ivey and Rev. Jimmy Warden.

At this time Rev. Bill Ballou recognized and thanked Jeannie McNeill for her years of service as the Associational Clerk/Treasurer. He then presented her with a plaque and Linda Blevins presented a diamond/gold pendant from the Association.

The Baptist Children's Homes report was given by Mr. Bill Morrow, Representative. He discussed the different programs and services sponsored by them which include Residential Group Care, Preparation for Adult Living, Group Home Care, Day Care, Emergency Care, Therapeutic Camping, Maternity Care, Teen mother/baby Care and Advanced Education. Last year's income of $3,000,000+ exceeded its goal of $650,000. The *Mile of Pennies* campaign has been a very good source of donations. For information on this program call 800-476-3669 ext. 1210. He thanked all the people and churches who had given their support.

The report for Campbell University by Jerry Wood was read by Rev. Bill Ballou. Campbell University is the Largest Baptist College in the world.

The Baptist Hospital report was given by Dr. James Murphy, Representative and Director, Church and Community Relations. Dr. Murphy gave each one present a "Health-On-Call" wallet card which had telephone numbers (910-716-2255 and 800-446-2255) that link you to specially trained registered nurses to discuss your health concerns, arrange appointments, and tell you about special health care programs of the Bowman Gray/Baptist Hospital Medical Center. The *Mother's Day Offerings* brought in $660,000+ last year.

Wake Forest University report was given by Rev. W. Robert Spinks, Representative. He stated that Wake Forest was listed as one of the top 100 schools in the country as best

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buys. They had received over 7000 applications for 850 slots as Freshman admissions. He passed out brochures. They recently began a Divinity School and have budgeted 95% of school admissions tuition in financial aid.

Doug Rollins, representative for State Missions gave a report for NC Baptist Men for the State Missions. They have 13 ministries including WMU.

Rev. Luther Osment, Chaplain to all retirement facilities, read from Psalms 92 and spoke of his enjoyment in his serving.

Bruce Rabon, representative from Gardner-Webb University, talked about the special programs now offered: Masters Degree program, School of Divinity with 120 Divinity students and Metrolina Ministries. They have worship services on Sunday on campus.

At this time the Moderator called for a congregational hymn. Rev. Wade Ivey led "Power in the Blood" with Rev. Jimmy Warden accompanying on the piano.

Rev. Bill Ballou then brought the message from Luke 9 asking "Are you sure" and centering on putting Jesus first in our lives. "Jesus/God never comes next, He must be first always. He never told the world to go to the church but the church to go to the world."

The Moderator then called for a 15-minute break before the local associational reports were given.

Rev. Carroll Arant gave reports on the Southern Baptist Annuity and the Seminary Extension report.

The Preacher's Conference report was given by Rev. Wayne Jones and announced that Dr. McKinney would be the speaker at the September 12th meeting at Orion Baptist Church.

The following reports were then read: Rev. Ken Furches - Youth Council report, Mr. Charles King - Executive Committee report, Mrs. Linda Blevins - Associational Treasurer's report, Mr. Delmas Parker - Christian Action League and Mrs. Diane Dixon.

Rev. Wade Ivey read scripture from 2 Cor. 5:17 and then

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sang "I Bowed on my Knees and Cried Holy."

The annual message was then preached by Rev. Steve Witherspoon. Scriptures were read from Isaiah 21:1-8 and Colossians 1:21-23 and 2:6,7. "Take a stand, Praise the Lord, it is no sacrifice to serve the Lord."

At this time Clifford Caudill asked the blessing and we adjourned for the evening meal.

Meeting was resumed with a congregational hymn, "Just a Little Talk with Jesus" and Rev. Jerry Frances, pastor of Blue Ridge Baptist Church read scripture from John 13:34 and had prayer. Rev. Wade Ivey sang "Beulah Land".

The Mission Sermon was brought by Rev. Bill McKinney with scriptures read from Luke 4:14-21; Genesis 22:18; Isaiah 61:1, 2: 45:20, 22, 23; 49:6. The message was "Getting on with God's mission; follow God's program".

Testimony from Partnership Missions Volunteers was given by Rev. Jim Rash. He also showed slides of the Ukraine Mission trip. Mrs. Bettie Ballou gave her testimony about the Ukraine Dental Mission trip.

A motion was made by Rev. Wade Ivey to accept all reports given. Motion was seconded by Hank Saralegui. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Rev. Jim Rash and seconded by Rev. Wayne Jones to receive an offering for the Ukraine mission during the second session. Motion accepted.

Budget proposal report would be given during the second session and voted on at that time. There was discussion concerning raising the hours of the secretarial help to 30 hrs. a week average. A list was passed around to get volunteers to read the radio announcements on the air.

Rev. Jimmy Warden gave the benediction and the meeting was adjourned and will reconvene at 9:00 a.m. at Liberty Grove Baptist Church.

The One-hundred tenth annual session of the Ashe Baptist Association met in regular session with Liberty Grove Baptist Church hosting on Saturday, August 17, 1996, at 9:00 a.m. Moderator Charles King called the meeting to order. A

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congregational hymn, "Amazing Grace" was lead by Dewey Campbell and accompanied by Rev. Jimmy Warden on the piano. Welcome and devotion was given by Deacon William Scott. He read from Philippians 4 "the God of peace shall be with you".

Moderator King recognized Mrs. Zeke Sexton and the fact that she has attended every annual meeting for the last 71 years. He also recognized and welcomed Rev. M.D. Hart.

Reports were then given by the Local Organizational Heads as follows: Sunday School - Rev. Lawrence Goodman, Biblical Recorder - Rev. Lawrence Goodman, Ashe Crisis Pregnancy Center - Rev. Wade Ivey, Evangelism report - Rev. David Blackburn, Discipleship Training - Mrs. Linda Blackburn and Church Music report - Rev. Wade Ivey. Also Rev. Lawrence Goodman and Rev. Wade Ivey spoke about providing a church for the Spanish-speaking people in the area. Motion was made by Rev. Jim Rash and seconded by Rev. Wade Ivey to bring this up at the next executive committee meeting as the first order of business to form a committee to help with this or to use committee now in place. Want to go forward with this in love and fellowship.

In the absence of the Budget Committee chairman, Rev. Jimmy Warden requested the adoption of the Associational Budget which was shown on page 10 of the program. Discussion of amendment to the budget for the 30 hours for secretarial help and adjustment of the figure of $7850 to $12,480 for secretarial help, of the figure of $700 to $1050 for employee social security taxes and of the figure of $33,025 to $38,005 for total budget for the year. Motion to accept the budget with these changes was made by Mr. Hank Saralegui and seconded by Rev. David Blackburn, motion carried.

The Nominating Committee had the following nominations given by Rev. Jimmy Warden: Vice Moderator - Rev. Steve Witherspoon, Stewardship Chairman - Mr. Jerry Powers and Finance Committee Chairman - Mrs. Melissa Goodman. There were no nominations from the floor.

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Motion to adopt made by Rev. Lawrence Goodman and seconded by Mr. Bob Gentry. Motion carried.

The roll call of the churches was given at this time by Mrs. Linda Blevins.

A history of Liberty Grove Baptist Church was given by Mr. William Scott.

A congregational hymn, "Revive Us Again" was led by Rev. Wade Ivey and accompanied by Rev. Jimmy Warden.

The Missions Committee report was given by Rev. Jimmy Warden.

Rev. Wade Ivey led the congregation in singing "The Lily of the Valley" with accompaniment by Rev. Jimmy Warden.

Rev. Ken Furches gave the report of Time/Place Preacher Committee. Motion was made by Rev. Bill Ballou and seconded by Rev. Wade Ivey to have Rev. Jimmy Warden as the speaker for the Annual Message for next year's Associational Session. Motion accepted.

Moderator King then set the date and location of the next Executive Committee meeting. It will be held at North Beaver Baptist Church at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday,October 3. Rev. Wayne Jones is the pastor.

Moderator King then ask for the approval of the minutes. Motion was made by Mr. Bill Gentry and seconded by Mr. Tom Elliott to approve the minutes. Motion approved.

Moderator King then read the names of those who had passed away during the year and Rev. Wade Ivey sang "Thank You" in memory of them.

Rev. Wade Ivey then sang "I'd Rather Have Jesus" and offering was given for the Ukraine Mission. Rev. Jim Rash asked the blessing on the offering. A total offering of $609.60 was given and will be taken to the Ukraine on August 24, 1996.

The message was then given by Rev. David Blackburn who was the alternate speaker for Rev. Wayne Osborne. Wayne's mother had open-heart surgery. The scriptures were taken from Mark 11:11; Luke 3:8; Gal. 5:22, 23; I Peter 1:15, 16; and Matt. 24:14; 21:15,16; 7:20.

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After the scripture reading, Rev. Charles McCoy lead in prayer. The message was then preached on "Spiritual Fruit:" a holy life, a loving spirit, works, personal witness, humility, simple faith and keep the faith.

The benediction and blessing were then asked by Rev. Lynn Powers. Rev. Wade Ivey led the congregation in "He Lives" and "When the Roll is Called up Yonder."

The meeting was then adjourned and lunch was served.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda K. Blevins,
Clerk

CHURCH PROFILE DIGEST

For 1995-96 Associational Year

ASSOCIATION
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STATE
North Carolina

5-Total Baptisms
7-Other Additions
9-Total Membership
11-Total Sunday School Enrollment
17-Vacation Bible School
19+20-Total Discipleship Training Enrollment/Part.
22-Total Music Ministry Enrollment
23-Total WMU Enrollment
24+26+27+28-Total Brotherhood Enrollment/Participation
31-Total Receipts
37-Total SBC Mission Expenditures
38-Cooperative Program
39-Associational Missions
44-Value Church Property
46-Church Debt

Church	5	7	9	11	17	19+20	22	23	24..28	31	37	38	39	44	46
APPLE GROVE	0	0	115	43	0	0	0	0	0	5383	130	20	50	0	0
BALD MOUNTAIN	5	26	445	250	235	173	78	72	26	157754	8553	6726	120	450000	50000
BEAVER CREEK	5	4	130	45	61	0	27	10	0	19960	1460	0	0	100000	0
BETHEL	0	6	151	86	38	0	0	0	0	34976	0	77	0	215000	9000
BIG FLATTS	0	1	102	40	34	0	29	0	0	14904	1978	148	600	250000	0
BIG LAUREL	0	0	20	7	17	0	5	0	0	4012	520	0	520	95000	0
BLUE RIDGE	3	2	62	18	18	0	0	0	0	16556	3392	0	817	85000	0
BRISTOL	9	4	311	89	110	0	40	0	0	43458	3838	1644	1620	100000	0
BUFFALO	0	5	105	106	79	38	46	9	8	33008	1544	0	200	225000	1688
CALVARY	0	2	124	28	53	11	15	12	0	9506	845	100	100	135000	0
CLIFTON	13	3	267	72	63	0	21	8	0	42869	1800	2793	1655	100000	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	16	11	384	167	106	69	39	68	22	138177	24341	8883	6378	1017500	0
FRIENDLY GROVE	0	0	262	153	87	0	34	26	0	95489	16833	3000	3800	667000	0
FRIENDSHIP	13	8	371	207	197	0	47	54	0	106513	17077	9655	1871	582350	0
GLENDALE SPRINGS	6	10	180	174	92	0	87	0	15	120467	3891	420	3351	250000	36492
GRASSY CREEK	0	0	145	35	21	0	10	0	0	28198	2877	1872	600	155000	0
HEALING SPRINGS	1	0	192	83	77	9	17	12	8	27972	5670	2668	1439	130000	0
LANDMARK BAPTIST	7	3	199	131	95	0	69	0	0	32790	3860	0	1200	130000	0
LAUREL KNOB	0	0	95	37	33	16	19	0	0	51045	9787	687	1135	90800	0
LIBERTY GROVE	8	5	208	87	39	51	48	0	0	60366	9358	1440	2000	310000	0
LITTLE HELTON	0	1	98	60	44	0	12	0	0	20887	0	90	0	66000	3200
MIDWAY	0	7	298	135	104	53	65	26	10	103184	22368	10357	3000	630000	0
MISSION HOME	6	2	178	70	89	35	40	13	0	40052	3871	1421	1050	210000	0
MOUNT OLIVE	1	6	70	62	43	0	35	0	0	23064	2700	350	475	120000	0
NEW RIVER	2	0	258	125	85	0	40	12	0	95460	16607	3978	3382	100000	12000
NORTH BEAVER	15	9	173	102	111	32	17	0	0	30154	1910	523	636	400000	15000
OAK HILL	0	2	158	47	0	0	15	0	0	20381	1020	0	240	100000	0
OBIDS	2	6	58	37	30	0	21	0	0	15214	360	300	360	75000	0
OLD FIELDS	0	2	98	59	67	31	25	17	12	59447	9698	6600	2200	260000	20000
ORION	2	6	172	66	61	0	20	20	0	54746	6759	1995	1430	300000	0

CHURCH PROFILE DIGEST

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5-Total Baptisms
7-Other Additions
9-Total Membership
11-Total Sunday School Enrollment
17-Vacation Bible School
19+20-Total Discipleship Training Enrollment/Part.
22-Total Music Ministry Enrollment
23-Total WMU Enrollment
24+26+27+28-Total Brotherhood Enrollment/Participation
31-Total Receipts
37-Total SBC Mission Expenditures
38-Cooperative Program
39-Associational Missions
44-Value Church Property
46-Church Debt

Church	5	7	9	11	17	19+20	22	23	24..28	31	37	38	39	44	46
PEAK VALLEY	0	3	16	47	0	0	0	0	0	5538	250	150	100	26400	0
PINE SWAMP	4	1	72	45	40	0	0	0	0	16052	0	200	150	80000	0
PLEASANT HOME	0	3	143	57	48	0	15	0	0	26121	4246	522	1767	200000	0
PLEASANT VALLEY	0	2	107	0	22	0	18	0	0	6349	0	0	0	30000	415
ROUND KNOB	8	1	105	48	33	0	0	0	0	17108	0	794	111	100000	0
TRINITY	125	286	672	745	253	220	296	84	82	163750	7300	3600	1200	250000	0
TUCKERDALE	1	0	179	103	92	0	0	0	0	28816	3136	400	1080	250000	0
WAGONER	4	0	142	43	45	0	15	10	0	15708	1954	0	300	156700	0
WARRENSVILLE	3	7	162	116	90	0	97	25	0	51413	3912	1800	1200	410703	2138
WELCOME HOME	1	4	193	102	95	35	46	27	4	34074	4057	3118	939	175000	0
TOTALS	260	438	7220	3927	2807	773	1408	505	187	1870921	207902	76331	47076	9027453	149933

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING INFORMATION — For 1995-96 Associational Year

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19-TOTAL ONGOING DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING
a-Ongoing Preschool B-5
b-Ongoing Children 6-11
c-Ongoing Youth 12-17
d-Ongoing Adults 18 & Up
e-General Officers

20-TOTAL SHORT-TERM DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING
a-Short-Term Preschool
b-Short-Term Children
c-Short-Term Youth
d-Short-Term Adults
19+20-TOTAL DT ENROLLMENT/PARTICIPATION
21-TeamKid Clubs

Church	19	19a	19b	19c	19d	19e	20	20a	20b	20c	20d	19+20	21
APPLE GROVE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BALD MOUNTAIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	173	0	7	46	120	173	0
BEAVER CREEK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BETHEL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIG FLATTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIG LAUREL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLUE RIDGE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BRISTOL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BUFFALO	38	0	0	8	28	2	0	0	0	0	0	38	0
CALVARY	11	0	0	0	10	1	0	0	0	0	0	11	0
CLIFTON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	29	0	10	10	6	3	40	0	0	0	40	69	0
FRIENDLY GROVE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FRIENDSHIP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GLENDALE SPRINGS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRASSY CREEK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HEALING SPRINGS	9	0	3	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	9	0
LANDMARK BAPTIST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAUREL KNOB	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	4	12	16	0
LIBERTY GROVE	51	3	5	5	37	1	0	0	0	0	0	51	0
LITTLE HELTON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MIDWAY	53	3	10	9	25	6	0	0	0	0	0	53	0
MISSION HOME	35	0	4	7	21	3	0	0	0	0	0	35	0
MOUNT OLIVE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEW RIVER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NORTH BEAVER	32	0	10	5	12	5	0	0	0	0	0	32	0
OAK HILL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OBIDS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OLD FIELDS	31	0	1	11	17	2	0	0	0	0	0	31	0
ORION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PEAK VALLEY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PINE SWAMP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PLEASANT HOME	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PLEASANT VALLEY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROUND KNOB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING INFORMATION

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b-Ongoing Children 6-11
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20-TOTAL SHORT-TERM DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING
a-Short-Term Preschool
b-Short-Term Children
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19+20-TOTAL DT ENROLLMENT/PARTICIPATION
21-TeamKid Clubs

Church	19	19a	19b	19c	19d	19e	20	20a	20b	20c	20d	19+20	21
TRINITY	105	8	12	40	40	5	115	0	0	25	90	220	0
TUCKERDALE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WAGONER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WARRENSVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WELCOME HOME	35	0	0	8	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0
TOTALS	429	14	55	106	223	31	344	0	7	75	262	773	0

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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31-Total Receipts
32-Undesignated Gifts
33-Designated Gifts
34-Total Local Expenditures
35-New Construction
36-Church Literature
44-Value-Church Property
45-Money Borrowed
46-Church Debt

Church	31	32	33	34	35	36	44	45	46
APPLE GROVE	5383	5383	0	5238	0	452	0	0	0
BALD MOUNTAIN	157754	110581	47173	120679	0	5808	450000	50000	50000
BEAVER CREEK	19960	19960	0	17210	0	874	100000	0	0
BETHEL	34976	24133	843	30983	8866	877	215000	10000	9000
BIG FLATTS	14904	12259	2459	12012	0	677	250000	0	0
BIG LAUREL	4012	3638	374	2132	0	128	95000	0	0
BLUE RIDGE	16556	0	0	12258	0	906	85000	0	0
BRISTOL	43458	40962	2796	37098	0	1301	100000	0	0
BUFFALO	33008	26911	6097	32518	0	1238	225000	0	1688
CALVARY	9506	9506	0	5926	0	963	135000	0	0
CLIFTON	42869	32209	4037	31112	727	1761	100000	0	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	138177	111056	22992	131758	42500	6425	1017500	0	0
FRIENDLY GROVE	95489	87756	7733	44867	0	4458	667000	0	0
FRIENDSHIP	106513	98146	8367	44098	0	8667	582350	0	0
GLENDALE SPRINGS	120467	87499	32968	113539	11613	1274	250000	0	36492
GRASSY CREEK	28198	27841	357	14792	0	1283	155000	0	0
HEALING SPRINGS	27972	2267	3565	25240	0	1164	130000	0	0
LANDMARK BAPTIST	32790	28374	4416	33358	0	736	130000	0	0
LAUREL KNOB	51045	39917	11128	24281	0	1183	90800	0	0
LIBERTY GROVE	60366	0	3884	25742	0	1740	310000	0	0
LITTLE HELTON	20887	1896	1310	9403	10869	525	66000	9000	3200
MIDWAY	103184	94217	8967	106919	40954	4947	630000	0	0
MISSION HOME	40052	40052	0	48764	0	1489	210000	0	0
MOUNT OLIVE	23064	22404	660	10176	0	1200	120000	0	0
NEW RIVER	95460	79552	15638	134311	48795	1161	100000	12000	12000
NORTH BEAVER	30154	26476	3678	62303	39790	2650	400000	15000	15000
OAK HILL	20381	20381	0	14949	0	434	100000	0	0
OBIDS	15214	12969	2245	13220	0	284	75000	0	0
OLD FIELDS	59447	32988	24934	78772	61916	1537	260000	25500	20000
ORION	54746	32832	18196	41571	0	1324	300000	0	0
PEAK VALLEY	5538	5216	322	4494	0	449	26400	0	0
PINE SWAMP	16052	12852	3200	2269	0	248	80000	0	0
PLEASANT HOME	26121	23109	6230	13436	11101	1627	200000	0	0
PLEASANT VALLEY	6349	0	278	5979	0	0	30000	0	415

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Church	31	32	33	34	35	36	44	45	46
ROUND KNOB	17108	0	0	16133	0	561	100000	0	0
TRINITY	163750	136550	27200	131750	2000	12000	250000	0	0
TUCKERDALE	28816	24570	4568	15578	0	1330	250000	0	0
WAGONER	15708	15459	249	14228	0	585	156700	0	0
WARRENSVILLE	51413	38817	12596	58450	5703	1957	410703	5000	2138
WELCOME HOME	34074	27848	6226	0	0	4204	175000	0	0
TOTALS	1870921	1416586	295686	1547546	284834	80427	9027453	126500	149933

MISSION EXPENDITURES

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37-TOTAL SBC Mission Expenditures
38-Cooperative Program
39-Associational Missions
40-State Missions
41-Annie Armstrong Easter Offering
42-Lottie Moon Christmas Offering
43-Other Mission Expenditures

Church	37	38	39	40	41	42	43
APPLE GROVE	130	20	50	20	0	0	0
BALD MOUNTAIN	8553	6726	120	0	0	1707	3194
BEAVER CREEK	1460	0	0	0	100	100	0
BETHEL	0	77	0	0	0	100	300
BIG FLATTS	1978	148	600	0	0	975	0
BIG LAUREL	520	0	520	0	0	0	0
BLUE RIDGE	3392	0	817	1575	500	300	200
BRISTOL	3838	1644	1620	0	0	574	0
BUFFALO	1544	0	200	392	432	520	0
CALVARY	845	100	100	0	245	400	0
CLIFTON	1800	2793	1655	800	600	500	2900
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	24341	8883	6378	0	4690	4390	16014
FRIENDLY GROVE	16833	3000	3800	2300	2537	3533	1663
FRIENDSHIP	17077	9655	1871	0	2175	3376	0
GLENDALE SPRINGS	3891	420	3351	90	0	0	5404
GRASSY CREEK	2877	1872	600	300	275	275	2310
HEALING SPRINGS	5670	2668	1439	962	268	333	3044
LANDMARK BAPTIST	3860	0	1200	600	600	1400	0
LAUREL KNOB	9787	687	1135	1017	5169	1179	1470
LIBERTY GROVE	9358	1440	2000	2838	0	2580	500
LITTLE HELTON	0	90	0	0	0	0	0
MIDWAY	22368	10357	3000	3648	2315	2956	1588
MISSION HOME	3871	1421	1050	0	600	800	0
MOUNT OLIVE	2700	350	475	200	180	300	0
NEW RIVER	16607	3978	3382	379	2274	2539	7074
NORTH BEAVER	1910	523	636	0	261	490	1467
OAK HILL	1020	0	240	0	0	840	2003
OBIDS	360	300	360	0	0	0	1400
OLD FIELDS	9698	6600	2200	82	1305	1600	1329
ORION	6759	1995	1430	483	800	2051	1460
PEAK VALLEY	250	150	100	0	0	0	0
PINE SWAMP	0	200	150	200	150	150	6162
PLEASANT HOME	4246	522	1767	522	625	652	944

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Church	37	38	39	40	41	42	43
PLEASANT VALLEY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROUND KNOB	0	794	111	0	0	0	0
TRINITY	7300	3600	1200	300	600	1200	4000
TUCKERDALE	3136	400	1080	1151	0	500	676
WAGONER	1954	0	300	400	200	200	99
WARRENSVILLE	3912	1800	1200	612	135	165	3088
WELCOME HOME	4057	3118	939	0	649	548	1650
TOTALS	207902	76331	47076	18871	27685	37233	69939

MUSIC MINISTRY INFORMATION

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22-TOTAL MUSIC MINISTRY ENROLLMENT
a-Preschool 3 Years
b-Preschool 4-5 Years
c-Children 6-8 Years
d-Children 9-11 Years
e-Youth 12-17 Years
f-Adult Choir 18 & Up
g-Separate Senior Adult Choir
h-Handbells
i-Vocal Ensembles
j-Instrumental Ensembles

Church	22	22a	22b	22c	22d	22e	22f	22g	22h	22i	22j
APPLE GROVE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BALD MOUNTAIN	78	2	5	4	4	20	33	0	0	10	0
BEAVER CREEK	27	1	2	1	4	3	16	0	0	0	0
BETHEL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIG FLATTS	29	0	1	1	1	4	18	0	0	4	0
BIG LAUREL	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0
BLUE RIDGE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BRISTOL	40	0	0	0	6	4	30	0	0	0	0
BUFFALO	46	1	1	2	7	7	14	6	0	8	0
CALVARY	15	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0
CLIFTON	21	0	1	1	2	3	11	3	0	0	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	39	0	3	2	3	6	25	0	0	0	0
FRIENDLY GROVE	34	0	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	4	0
FRIENDSHIP	47	0	8	8	6	0	25	0	0	0	0
GLENDALE SPRINGS	87	0	0	3	3	2	45	0	0	25	9
GRASSY CREEK	10	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0
HEALING SPRINGS	17	0	0	0	1	2	14	0	0	0	0
LANDMARK BAPTIST	69	4	5	8	3	6	35	0	0	8	0
LAUREL KNOB	19	0	0	0	2	4	13	0	0	0	0
LIBERTY GROVE	48	0	1	2	2	4	34	0	0	5	0
LITTLE HELTON	12	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	2	0
MIDWAY	65	0	5	7	6	9	24	0	0	14	0
MISSION HOME	40	0	0	0	5	8	18	0	0	9	0
MOUNT OLIVE	35	4	4	6	0	6	15	0	0	0	0
NEW RIVER	40	3	4	1	6	1	21	0	0	4	0
NORTH BEAVER	17	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	0
OAK HILL	15	0	0	0	0	2	13	0	0	0	0
OBIDS	21	0	0	3	2	5	11	0	0	0	0
OLD FIELDS	25	0	0	0	1	8	16	0	0	0	0
ORION	20	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	0
PEAK VALLEY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PINE SWAMP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PLEASANT HOME	15	0	0	1	2	2	10	0	0	0	0
PLEASANT VALLEY	18	0	0	0	1	5	8	2	0	0	2
ROUND KNOB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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22-TOTAL MUSIC MINISTRY ENROLLMENT
a-Preschool 3 Years
b-Preschool 4-5 Years
c-Children 6-8 Years
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e-Youth 12-17 Years
f-Adult Choir 18 & Up
g-Separate Senior Adult Choir
h-Handbells
i-Vocal Ensembles
j-Instrumental Ensembles

Church	22	22a	22b	22c	22d	22e	22f	22g	22h	22i	22j
TRINITY	296	6	8	12	12	61	82	0	0	85	30
TUCKERDALE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WAGONER	15	0	0	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	2
WARRENSVILLE	97	8	9	11	12	7	0	30	0	16	4
WELCOME HOME	46	0	0	0	0	0	38	0	0	7	1
TOTALS	1408	29	57	73	91	179	689	41	0	201	48

SPECIAL INFORMATION

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47-AM Worship Service Attendance
48-PM Worship Service Attendance
49-Church-Related Vocations
50-Senior Adult Ministry
51-Mission Project Volunteers
52-Support Groups
53-Evangelistic Visitation (Y/N)
54-Bible Study at Other Times (Y/N)
55-SS Workers' Meetings (Y/N)
56-Give to associational Missions on a Percentage Basis (Y/N)
57-Intercessory Prayer Ministry (Y/N)
58-Community Ministries (Y/N)

Church	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58
APPLE GROVE	40	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N
BALD MOUNTAIN	220	110	0	16	0	0	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y
BEAVER CREEK	63	0	0	0	0	0	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
BETHEL	43	0	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	N	N	N
BIG FLATTS	26	14	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
BIG LAUREL	6	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N
BLUE RIDGE	28	0	0	0	0	0	Y	Y	N	N	N	N
BRISTOL	130	30	0	0	0	0	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y
BUFFALO	65	0	0	0	0	0	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
CALVARY	36	11	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	Y	N
CLIFTON	107	56	0	0	0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	150	50	0	0	0	0	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y
FRIENDLY GROVE	75	35	0	0	0	0	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y
FRIENDSHIP	0	0	0	0	0	0	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
GLENDALE SPRINGS	150	0	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y
GRASSY CREEK	36	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N
HEALING SPRINGS	50	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	Y	N	N
LANDMARK BAPTIST	125	40	0	0	0	0	Y	Y	N	N	N	N
LAUREL KNOB	40	10	0	0	12	0	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N
LIBERTY GROVE	51	22	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y
LITTLE HELTON	45	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N
MIDWAY	0	0	0	0	0	0	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
MISSION HOME	83	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N
MOUNT OLIVE	50	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	Y	N	N
NEW RIVER	101	25	0	0	0	0	N	N	Y	Y	N	N
NORTH BEAVER	90	35	0	0	0	2	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y
OAK HILL	38	0	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	N	N	Y
OBIDS	35	0	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	Y	N	N
OLD FIELDS	60	0	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y
ORION	65	30	0	0	0	0	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
PEAK VALLEY	20	0	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	N	N	N
PINE SWAMP	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N

SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION

For 1995-96 Association

ASSOCIATION
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11-Total SS Enrollment
a-Preschool Birth
b-Children 6-11
c-Youth 12-17
d-Adults 18-24
e-Adults 25-34
f-Adults 35-54
g-Adults 55 & Up
h-Special Education
i-Homebound
j-General Officers
k-Other Bible Study
12-SS Average Weekly Attendance
13-New SS Members
14-SS College Students
15-SS Single Adults
16-SS Not Church Members
17-Vacation Bible School
18-Backyard Bible Clubs

Church	11	11a	11b	11c	11d	11e	11f	11g	11h	11i	11j	11k	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
PLEASANT VALLEY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	0
ROUND KNOB	48	4	6	6	2	1	14	10	0	0	5	0	40	4	1	2	0	33	0
TRINITY	745	67	56	77	90	176	189	46	0	0	4	40	230	392	20	50	61	253	25
TUCKERDALE	103	8	8	10	12	18	16	20	0	0	11	0	77	0	0	0	2	92	0
WAGONER	43	1	4	2	0	6	9	15	0	0	6	0	30	0	0	3	0	45	0
WARRENSVILLE	116	7	28	10	4	12	23	16	0	0	16	0	65	8	1	0	0	90	0
WELCOME HOME	102	8	12	16	6	9	22	26	0	0	3	0	60	25	6	0	0	95	0
TOTALS	3927	298	412	393	282	521	820	797	0	10	228	166	2250	599	60	126	176	2807	77

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Church	23	23a	23b	23c	23d	23e	23f	23g	23h	24	24a	24b	24c	24d	25	26	27	28	TOTAL ENR/PART
APPLE GROVE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BALD MOUNTAIN	72	13	9	14	18	0	6	12	0	26	4	10	12	0	0	0	0	0	26
BEAVER CREEK	10	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BETHEL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIG FLATTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIG LAUREL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLUE RIDGE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BRISTOL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BUFFALO	9	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	2	6	0	0	0	0	8
CALVARY	12	0	0	0	11	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CLIFTON	8	0	0	0	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	68	4	8	6	16	8	0	0	26	22	0	6	2	14	0	0	0	0	22
FRIENDLY GROVE	26	0	0	0	24	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FRIENDSHIP	54	15	10	0	23	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GLENDALE SPRINGS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	15
GRASSY CREEK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HEALING SPRINGS	12	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	8
LANDMARK BAPTIST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAUREL KNOB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LIBERTY GROVE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LITTLE HELTON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MIDWAY	26	6	8	7	0	5	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	10
MISSION HOME	13	0	0	0	9	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MOUNT OLIVE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEW RIVER	12	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NORTH BEAVER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OAK HILL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OBIDS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OLD FIELDS	17	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	12	0	1	2	9	0	0	0	0	12
ORION	20	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PEAK VALLEY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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PINE SWAMP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PLEASANT HOME	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PLEASANT VALLEY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROUND KNOB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRINITY	84	8	7	28	41	0	0	0	0	74	4	10	32	28	0	0	8	0	82
TUCKERDALE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WAGONER	10	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WARRENSVILLE	25	0	0	0	17	6	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WELCOME HOME	27	6	5	10	0	6	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
TOTALS	505	52	47	65	235	43	6	12	45	179	8	31	50	90	0	0	8	0	187

MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION — For 1995-96 Associational Year

ASSOCIATION
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1-Year Organized
2-Year Pastor Came
3-Church Location Code
1-Open Country — Medium City: 5-Downtown, 6-Neighborhood, 7-Suburbs — Large City: 8-Downtown, 9-Neighborhood, 0-Suburbs
2-Village
3-Town
4-Small City
4-Racial/Ethnic Group (1-28)
5-TOTAL BAPTISMS
a-Baptisms Under 6
b-Baptisms Age 6-8
c-Baptisms Age 9-11
d-Baptisms Age 12-17
e-Baptisms Age 18-29
f-Baptisms Age 30-59
g-Baptisms Age 60 & Up
6-College Student Baptisms
7-Other Additions
8-Members Lost
9-Total Membership
a-Resident Members
b-Nonresident Members
10-New Member Training

Church	County	1	2	3	4	5	5a	5b	5c	5d	5e	5f	5g	6	7	8	9	9a	9b	10
APPLE GROVE	ASHE	1889	1986	1	01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	115	87	28	0
BALD MOUNTAIN	Ashe	1810	1991	1	01	5	0	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	26	6	445	382	63	0
BEAVER CREEK	Ashe	1890	1990	1	01	5	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	4	5	130	90	40	0
BETHEL	Ashe	1857	1968	1	01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	3	151	73	78	0
BIG FLATTS	Ashe	1905	1995	1	01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	12	102	67	35	0
BIG LAUREL	Ashe	1880	1989	1	01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	10	10	0
BLUE RIDGE	Ashe	1887	1994	1	01	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	2	1	62	62	0	0
BRISTOL	Ashe	1888	1973	2	01	9	0	1	4	0	3	1	0	0	4	6	311	265	46	0
BUFFALO		1869	1990	1	01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	3	105	94	11	0
CALVARY	Ashe	1960	1995	3	01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	124	113	11	0
CLIFTON	Ashe	1892	1996	1	01	13	0	0	0	1	1	8	3	0	3	2	267	197	70	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	Ashe	1953	1991	3	01	16	0	1	5	5	2	3	0	0	11	6	384	328	56	0
FRIENDLY GROVE	Ashe	1945		1	01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	262	200	62	0
FRIENDSHIP	Ashe	1880	1996	1	01	13	0	4	0	1	2	4	2	0	8	14	371	327	44	0
GLENDALE SPRINGS	Ashe	1914	1992	1	01	6	0	1	3	0	2	0	0	0	10	1	180	177	3	0
GRASSY CREEK	Ashe	1929		2	01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	145	82	63	0
HEALING SPRINGS	Ashe	1884	1992	1	01	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	192	109	83	0
LANDMARK BAPTIST	Ashe	1856	1985	1	01	7	0	0	1	1	2	3	0	0	3	3	199	181	18	0
LAUREL KNOB	Ashe	1912	1984	1	01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	95	95	0	0
LIBERTY GROVE	Ashe	1915		1	01	8	0	1	1	0	2	4	0	0	5	2	208	116	92	0
LITTLE HELTON	Ashe	1923	1991	1	01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	98	44	54	0
MIDWAY	Ashe	1954	1985	1	01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	8	298	230	68	0
MISSION HOME	Ashe	1892	1991	1	01	6	0	1	2	0	1	2	0	0	2	5	178	131	47	3
MOUNT OLIVE	Ashe	1941	1996	1	01	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	1	70	62	8	0
NEW RIVER	Ashe	1885	1976	1	01	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	4	258	141	117	0
NORTH BEAVER	Ashe	1943	1990	1	01	15	0	2	4	1	3	4	1	0	9	1	173	166	7	27
OAK HILL	Ashe	1927	1995	1	01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	158	88	70	0
OBIDS	Ashe	1892	1995	1	01	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	5	0	58	55	3	0
OLD FIELDS	Ashe	1803	1995	1	01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	98	87	11	0
ORION	Ashe	1911	1996	1	01	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	6	9	172	160	15	0
PEAK VALLEY	Ashe	1892	1996	1	01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	16	6	10	0
PINE SWAMP	Ashe	1948	1995	1	01	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	72	55	17	0
PLEASANT HOME	Ashe	1870	1988	1	01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	143	101	42	0
PLEASANT VALLEY	Ashe	1929	1990	1	01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	107	50	57	0
ROUND KNOB	Ashe	1940	1983	1	01	8	0	0	2	2	1	2	1	0	1	5	105	75	30	0
TRINITY	Watauga	1975	1994	1	27	125	0	11	19	31	35	25	4	15	286	16	672	636	36	120
TUCKERDALE	Ashe	1915	1984	1	01	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	179	152	27	0
WAGONER	Ashe	1915	1995	1	01	4	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	142	120	22	0
WARRENSVILLE	Ashe	1929	1996	3	01	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	162	89	73	0
WELCOME HOME	Ashe	1935	1996	1	01	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	4	10	193	116	77	0
TOTALS						260	0	24	51	45	65	64	11	15	438	164	7220	5619	1604	150

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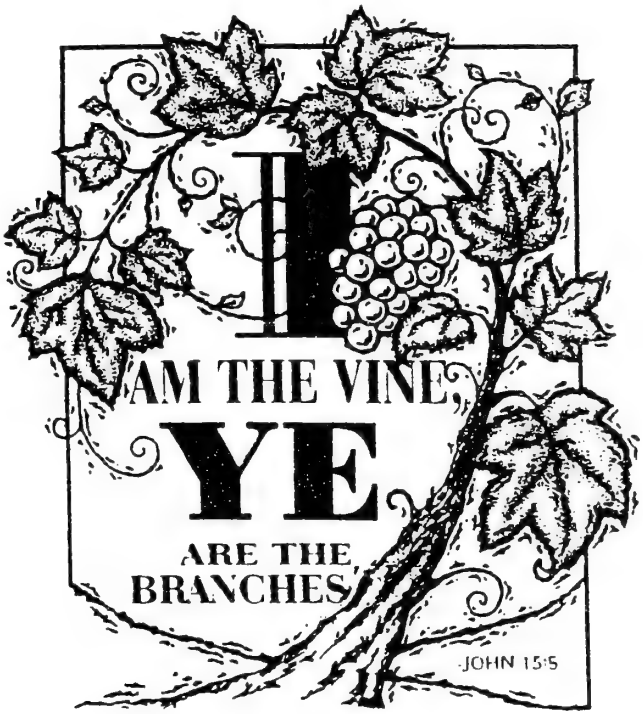
ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION



Friday, August 15, 1997
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Friendly Grove Baptist Church

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Hosted by:
Pleasant Home Baptist Church

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A Special Thanks

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Arthur Worth Phillips
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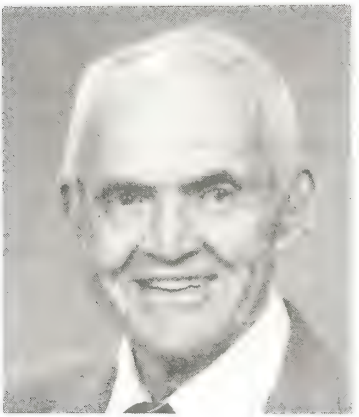

Worth, as he was known to family and friends, along with his beloved wife Flavil, was a life long member of Old Fields Baptist Church, where he served as a Deacon, Sunday School Teacher, and in any other capacity when needed. His Christianity showed through in each of his many roles in life. Farmer, Dairyman, Cheese Plant Employee and Familyman were all important parts of his life, but his life is better summed up with a single word, Christian. The annual meeting of the Ashe Baptist Association was a highlight in the lives of Worth and Flavil, a meeting they looked forward to and never missed during their active years. Visiting missionaries, revival pastors, and others called of God were regularly housed and fed at the Phillips home for 50 years, a service provided even during lean times, and child rearing. Idlewild Community, Ashe County, and our State and Nation are better due to the life of Worth Phillips and the witness he provided.

As he would say "if you live to be a hundred years old it is a short time. All you can hold in your cold dead hand is what you have done for other people."

By Norma Yates

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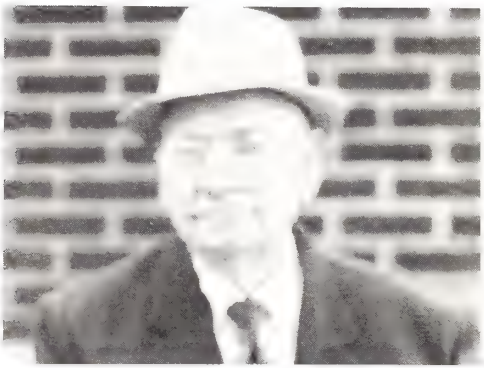
Rev. Marvin C. "Billy" Smith



Preacher Billy was born on November 26th, 1917 in Columbia, S.C. He married Viola Groves on June 15,1940. They had 5 children (their son, Larry, is deceased). They also have 15 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. He worked on a public job in Charlotte, NC, until 1957 while serving as a bivocational pastor. He and Viola now live in Fleetwood, NC.

Billy came to Pleasant Home Baptist Church as pastor in January, 1988 after preaching at a youth revival. The young and the old of Pleasant Home loved Billy and Viola from the start. They gave much to our church and community, always there to visit, support and love us. He was pastor at Pleasant Home for 8 1/2 years, leaving due to prolonged illness.

Billy did much for our church, our community and our association. We still miss his "stay with me if it kills you" every Sunday and the way he quoted scripture. He still stays in touch with many of our members. We pray for his continued recovery and send our love to him and his family.

By Vickie Young

To my many friends, I started my ministry in Charlotte, NC on the 1st Sunday in June, 1947. I pastored there 3 different times for 26 years.I also preached in Avery, Watauga and Ashe Counties. I conducted revivals in NC, SC, Virginia and Tennessee. We saw many confessions of faith. At Pleasant Home we saw much improvement by the people of the church. They paved the driveway from the highway all around the church. Many other improvements, followed too numerous to mention were completed. I pastored there 8 years and retired. I was stricken with cancer, but by the Grace of God, Jesus healed me. I'm 80 years old and waiting for Jesus. I pastored 49 1/2 years.

By Preacher Billy Smith

FRIENDLY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Hosting on Friday, August 15, 1998

PLEASANT HOME BAPTIST CHURCH
Hosting on Saturday, August 16, 1997

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

FRIENDLY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

It seems that the idea of a church in our community started as a result of a prayer meeting at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Kay Hardin on March 11, 1945. About the same time two preachers in the county became concerned about a church in the community. Rev. G.A. Hamby and Rev. Harvey Phillips were inspired by God concerning a church in the community and talked with Mr. Ballard Harless about this. He showed them an envelope in which he had written the names of seventy-four people from our community who would be affected by a church.

The church was organized with twenty charter members. Three of these charter members, Ethel Burchette, Rayborne Harless and Anna Mae Taylor are still members of the church.

Rev. G.A. Hamby was elected the first pastor. Rev. Hamby was overwhelmed by the friendliness of the people in the community and suggested the name be Friendly Grove Baptist Church.

Mr. Ballard Harless donated the land on which the church was built. Sunday school was held in Mr. S.E. Wyatt's barn until the sanctuary was completed. Friendly Grove Baptist Church held its first Sunday morning worship service in the new building on September 2, 1945.

The church has continued to prosper through the years. The first Sunday school rooms were built between 1952-56. The educational building was built during the years of 1960-65.

In 1970 the church decided to purchase a parsonage.

The next project was to put a kitchen in the basement. That was completed.

In August 1981 the church voted to build a new sanctuary and August 16, 1981 a ground-breaking was held for the new sanctuary.

The first service was held in the new sanctuary on the second Sunday in March 1982.

We have been blessed with many good pastors and are presently being served by Rev. Jay T. Jones, who has been with us since September 1996.

Respectfully submitted,
Mildred L. Harless

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PLEASANT HOME BAPTIST CHURCH

Pleasant Home Baptist Church was established in 1870. The first church was in a two story building where the Stanley Young home is now standing. One story consisted of Sussex School and the other story contained Pleasant Home Baptist Church. This building burned down in the late 1800s.

A new church building was built in 1898 on the property donated by Caroline Blevins.

In 1952 a brick church was constructed. Fred Pasley donated some additional land at this time.

George West, a deacon of the church, donated one half acre of land in 1992 to extend the church cemetery.

Edith Phipps also some land to extend the church cemetery on the east side.

A picnic shelter was built in 1988 and extended in 1991.

This year the church is in the process of adding Sunday school rooms in the basement. Several of the younger members donated their time to dig out the basement.

The church also has purchased six tenths of an acre of land from Edith Phipps to enlarge the parking lot.
Some of the pastors who have served our church are: our current pastor, Rick Cornejo, Marvin "Billy" Smith, Earl Sheets, Max Darnell, Leonard Blevins, David Testerman, Buddy Wade Bare, Warner Eller, Doug Parsons, David Brown, Roe Pasley, Frank Tucker, Cicero Ashley, W.E. (Lester) Denny and E.A. Eller.

Our current pastor, Rev. Rick Cornejo, has served us well since coming to our church in December 1996. He and his wife, Loretta, have been a real blessing to our church and we hope to keep them with us for many years.

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PLEASANT HOME BAPTIST CHURCH

Our former pastor, Rev. Marvin "Billy" Smith, retired in October 1996 due to health complications. He remained our honorary pastor until June 1997 which marked fifty (50) years of pastoring. We miss Billy and hope and pray he and his family will be able to be back with us in church soon.

The church has grown from sixty-one (61) members in 1898 to one hundred two (102) members in 1997.

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Jefferson, NC 28640

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ORGANIZATIONAL OFFICERS

Moderator	Rev. Steve Witherspoon
Vice Moderator	Rev. David Blackburn
Clerk/Treasurer	Mrs. Linda Blevins

Sunday School Assist Team

Director	Dorothy Witherspoon	982-4310
Adult	Rev. Lawrence Goodman	877-1550
Youth	Teshia Dillard	877-1596
Youth	Frances Blevins	246-6583
Children	Vickie Young	384-4656
Preschool	Nancy Watson	877-4782

Church Music

Director of Music and Training	Rev. Wade Ivey	667-9474
Pianist		

Discipleship Training

Assoc. Discipleship Supporter	Linda Blackburn	982-2373

Brotherhood

President	William Fairchild	877-4987
Mission Study Chr.	Danny Bowman	246-4854
RA Leader	Lanny Ballou	982-2897
Stewardship Chairman	Jerry Powers	982-4444

ASSOCIATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

Budget & Finance Committee

3 yr.	Melissa Goodman	246-4001
	Larry Elliott	982-9235
2 yr.	Jack Harless	246-7635
	Kim Harless	246-4767
1 yr.	Johnnie Roten	385-1448

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ASSOCIATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES
(continued)

Associational Trustees

Chr. Jim Vannoy	982-2150
Edd Harless	384-2368
Lloyd Witherspoon	246-9203
Ralph Davis	384-3673
Rev. Earl Sheets, Sr.	246-9963

Assn. Ordination Committee

3 yr.	Rev. Keith Elledge	838-2286
2 yr.	Rev. Earl Sheets, Sr.	246-9963

Assn. Music Committee

3 yr.	Richard Blevins	246-6583
2 yr.	Dale Neaves	982-2753
1 yr.	Chr. Rev. Wade Ivey	667-9474
1 yr.	Rev. Bill Ballou	982-4300

Committee on Organized Churches

2 yr.	Sonny Coldiron	982-3724
1 yr.	Rev. Carroll Arant	246-9513

Seminary Extension Committee

1 yr.	Tim Vannoy	982-9373
	Judy Moser	384-4328

Associational Properties Committee

3 yr.	Charles Severt	246-9470
	Chr. Lucian Jordan	877-1688
2 yr.	Carl Witherspoon	877-1519
1 yr.	Lamon Perry	877-5516

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ASSOCIATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES
(continued)

Associational Camp Committee

3 yr.	Chr. Leonard Jordan	246-7244
2 yr.	Rev. Billy Joe Blevins	982-3599
	Rev. Jerry Reavis	696-4837
1 yr.	Clifton Poe	982-2273
	Donnie Houck	246-3612
	Thomas Elliott	877-4340

Associational Program Committee

3 yr.	Rev. Jay T. Jones	246-4581
	Linda Blackburn	982-2373
2 yr.	Cindy Davis	384-3673
	Clifford Caudill	384-3583
1 yr.	Carolyn Miller	877-4757

Committee on Evangelism

3 yr.	Rev. Rick Cornejo	877-9699
	Julie Taylor	384-4733
	Larry Ballou	982-2908
1 yr.	Chr. Rev. David Blackburn	982-2373

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ASSOCIATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

Associational Youth Council

3 yr.	Rev. Steve Viers	877-1889
	Frances Blevins	246-6583
	Peggy Powers	246-9073
2 yr.	Allen Combs	982-9063
	Chris Hartley	246-3851
	Rev. Lawrence Goodman	877-2042
	Karlton Yearick	877-1763
2 yr.	Rev. Wade Ivey	667-9474
	Rev. Ken Furches	246-5810
	Joyce Grubb	246-4192

Constitution and By-Laws Committee

3 yr.	Jack Ashley	384-3309
2 yr.	Ralph Davis	384-3673
	Jack McGrady	359-8382
1 yr.	Bill Gentry	877-3716

Missions Committee

Dorothy Witherspoon	982-4310
Linda Blackburn	982-2373
Rev. Wade Ivey	667-9474
Chr. Rev. Jimmy Warden	359-8883
Rev. Gary Watson	(704) 264-9338
William Fairchild	877-4987
Rev. Steve Witherspoon	982-4310

Nominating Committee

Rev. Jim Ketner	
Thelma Howell	877-5638
Allen Huffman	246-8570
Ricky Brown	877-4296
Bill Senter	982-2474

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

MESSENGERS TO ANNUAL MEETING

Apple Grove
Carol Denny, Ruth Little, Anna Miller, Dortha Slate, Flossie, Kelly Taylor

Bald Mountain
Normas Houck, Fren Mattews, Mrs. Toy Wyatt

Beaver Creek
Delma Goodman, Melissa Goodman, Sara Patrick

Bethel
Eula Blevins, Carl Osborne, Linda Osborne

Big Flatts
William T. Bumgarner, U. G. Elliott, Doyle Jordan

Big Laurel
Ruth Roten, Johnie F. Roten

Blue Ridge
Clifton Charles, Greg Charles

Bristol
Lynn Blevins, Worth Day, Wayne Greer, Wilma May, Cynthia Robinson

Calvary
Ken Gregory

Clifton
Rev. Chuck Call, Joe Eastridge, Daniel Pugh, Larry Richardson

Friendly Grove
Dewey Campbell, Irene Campbell, Wayne Elliott, Grace Harless, Charles King, Virginia Lee

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MESSENGERS TO ANNUAL MEETING

Friendship
Georgia Hager, Rev. David Lambert, Fred Walters

Glendale Springs
Debbie Elledge, Rev. Keith Elledge, Larry Elliott, Bobby Hamby, George Swann

Grassy Creek
Hazel McGrady, Jack McGrady, Bryan Spencer

Healing Springs
Marie Owen, Pozy Owen, Shannon Phipps,

Landmark
Frances Blevins, R.L. Blevins, Lenna Brooks, Norma Hartzog, Rick Hartzog, Carrie McCourry

Laurel Knob
Michael Goodman, Joyce Grubb

Liberty Grove
Ray Jones, Clarence Parsons, Howard Parsons, Marshall Perkins

Little Helton
Pauline Houck, Wilford Porter, Danny Sizemore

Midway
D.R. Jones, Hank Saralegui, Toni Saralegui

Mission Home
Gwen Elliott, Raymond Elliott, Bill Gentry

Mount Olive
Frankie Ray, Kim Ray, Sammy Surber

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MESSENGERS TO ANNUAL MEETING

New River
Clifford Caudill, Ema Caudill, Glenna Gore, Mack Gore, Donna Pollard, Duane Pollard

North Beaver
Rev. Allen Combs, Connie McNeill, Allen Neaves

Oak Hill
Irene Barker, Inez Blevins, Emily Wyatt

Obids
Bly St. John, Glenn South, Vilena South

Old Fields
Willa Dean Church, Cline Greene, Norma Yates

Orion
Sheila Hartzog, Polly Jones, Paula Miller

Peak Valley
Bog Cornett, Darlene Cornett, Carol Roark, R.H. Roark

Phoenix
Mary Davis, Rolin Davis, Bernard Miller, Maxie Miller

Pine Swamp
Ballard Marsh, Mike McCoy, John Segraves, Ollie Segraves

Pleasant Home
Rachel Burgess, Wayne Jones, Don Smith, Jack Young, Jerry Young, Stanley Young

Round Knob
Martha Cox, Lillian Miller, Mary Miller, Mary Carolyn Miller, Sybil Smith, Walter Smith

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Three Forks
Jerry Phillips, Carroll Roten, Gary E. Roten

Trinity
Jan Minnix, Marcia Rowe, Rev. Neil Vallini

Tuckerdale
Mary Graham, Edison Harless, Ruth Harless, Curtis Harsoe, Melba Hartsoe, Bob Powers

Wagoner
Eddie Liddle, Earl Poe, Elsie L. Poe, Velma Poe, Irene Sheets, Jack Sheets

Warrensville
Harry Ashley, Clifford Lindsey, Edith Lindsey, Ed Reed

Welcome Home
Dianne Dixon, Howard Tucker

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS:		
On hand July 1, 1996	$ 4,852.42	
Given by the churches	42,917.14	
Interest Income	267.91	
Reimbursed Minute Books	1,134.00	
State Missions Offering	696.07	
Sales Tax Refund	347.91	
South Africa	1,850.00	
Miscellaneous receipts	45.00	
BALANCE ON HAND AND RECEIVED		$ 52,110.45
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Automobile Allowance	1,213.55	
Miscellaneous Expense	250.85	
Associational Calendars	400.00	
Bank Charges	10.00	
Clerk/Treasurer	1,200.00	
Contract Wages	4,425.00	
Evangelism	1,406.63	
Homeowner's Insurance	190.00	
Key Leadership Conference Expen:	55.42	
Office Equipment	1,022.34	
Parsonage Repair & Maint.	80.54	
Parsonage-Mowing & Yard work	565.00	
Post Office Box Rent	24.00	
Postage/Mailing	1,206.11	
Printing & Supplies	2,001.32	
Reimbursement for travel-Clerk/Tre	100.00	
Secretarial Help	7,019.50	
Social Security-Employer	1,015.15	
Service Agreement-Copier	725.00	
Service Agreement-Binding Machin	79.99	
South Africa Partnership Mission	3,478.00	
Sunday School Assist	936.72	
Utilities	1,525.99	
Vacation Bible School	757.36	
Youth Council	1,200.00	
TOTAL AMOUNT PAID OUT		30,888.47
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, 1997		$ 21,221.98

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

FINANCIAL SUPPORT GIVEN BY THE CHURCHES

APPLE GROVE	50.00	MISSION HOME	1249.97
BALD MOUNTAIN	230.00	MOUNT OLIVE	1000.00
BEAVER CREEK	789.91	NEW RIVER	3267.00
BETHEL	0.00	NORTH BEAVER	912.00
BIG FLATTS	0.00	OAK HILL	0.00
BIG LAUREL	420.00	OBIDS	0.00
BLUE RIDGE	1121.53	OLD FIELDS	1500.00
BRISTOL	1838.60	ORION	1647.36
BUFFALO	200.00	PEAK VALLEY	0.00
CALVARY	100.00	PHOENIX	1083.33
CLIFTON	1525.39	PILOT MOUNTAIN	419.08
FARMER MEMORIAL	0.00	PINE SWAMP	50.00
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	3372.18	PLEASANT HOME	1789.26
FRIENDLY GROVE	3000.00	PLEASANT VALLE	100.00
FRIENDSHIP	1913.64	PROSPERITY	0.00
GLENDALE SPRINGS	2012.82	ROUND KNOB	645.74
GRASSY CREEK	600.00	SABBATH HOME	0.00
HEALING SPRINGS	1617.30	THREE FORKS	200.00
LANDMARK	1200.00	TRINITY	1300.00
LAUREL KNOB	1067.09	TUCKERDALE	900.00
LIBERTY GROVE	2004.00	WAGONER	300.00
LITTLE HELTON	0.00	WARRENSVILLE	850.00
MIDWAY	2700.00	WELCOME HOME	1196.90

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak, he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5. It shall be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1997-98

	1996-97 Approved Budget	1996-97 Actual To Date	1997-98 Proposed Budget
I. EDUCATION AND PROMOTION			
1. Sunday School	$ 800.00	936.72	1000.00
2. Discipleship Training	600.00	0.00	600.00
3. Brotherhood	100.00	0.00	100.00
4. WMU	75.00	0.00	75.00
5. Church Music	50.00	0.00	50.00
6. Vacation Bible School	700.00	757.36	800.00
7. Evangelism	1200.00	1406.63	1200.00
8. Key Leadership	150.00	55.42	150.00
9. Association Youth	1200.00	1200.00	1200.00
SUBTOTAL	$ 4875.00	$ 4356.13	$ 5175.00
II. ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE			
1. Office Equipment	1000.00	1022.34	1000.00
2. Printing and Supplies	2000.00	2001.32	2000.00
3. Postage/Mailing	2000.00	1240.11	2000.00
4. Associational Calendars	400.00	400.00	400.00
SUBTOTAL	$ 5400.00	$ 4663.77	$ 5400.00
III. SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES			
1. Director of Missions			
(a) Salary	6000.00	4425.00	35000.00 *
(b) Retirement	0.00	0.00	
(c) Medical and Life Insurance	0.00	0.00	
(d) Utilities	1000.00	1525.99	
(e) Automobile Allowance [$.29 per mile]	2900.00	1213.55	
(f) Social Security Allowance	0.00	0.00	
(g) Conventions and Conferences	0.00	0.00	
(h) Parsonage Allowance	0.00	0.00	
2. Secretarial Help	12480.00	7019.50	4600.00 *
3. Clerk-Treasurer	1200.00	1200.00	1200.00
(a) Reimbursement for travel	100.00	100.00	100.00
4. Employee Taxes	1050.00	1015.15	445.00
SUBTOTAL	$ 24730.00	$ 16499.19	$ 41345.00
IV. PARSONAGE			
1. Insurance Premium	500.00	190.00	500.00
2. Building Repair and Property Maintenance	2000.00	1450.53	2500.00
SUBTOTAL	$ 2500.00	$ 1640.53	$ 3000.00
V. MISCELLANEOUS			
1. Miscellaneous	500.00	218.56	500.00
SUBTOTAL	$ 500.00	$ 250.85	$ 500.00
TOTAL	$ 38005.00	$ 27410.47	$ 55420.00
VI. OTHER (Voted on at Executive Committee)			
1. Hispanic Ministry			12000.00
2. DOM Search (Motel & Meal)			72.00
SUBTOTAL			$ 12072.00
TOTAL			$ 67492.00

*These figures reflect amounts for a full-year Director of Missions and a part-time secretary. In the event that there is no Director the secretarial wages will be raised to the preceding year's budget figure.

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ASHE BAPTIST CAMPGROUND

Appalachian Baptist Student Union	130.00
Ashe County 4-H	25.00
Bald Mountain Baptist Church	240.00
Bethel Baptist Church	100.00
Big Laurel Baptist Church	60.00
Blevins Reunion	25.00
Blue Ridge Baptist Church	200.00
Bristol Baptist Church	50.00
Friendly Grove Baptist Church	300.00
Friendship Baptist Church	500.00
Girl Scouts	25.00
Goodman, Rick & Melissa	25.00
Grassy Creek Baptist Church	180.00
Jennings, Katherine L.	15.00
Kimberlin Reunion	62.00
Konnoak Baptist Church	84.00
Laurel Knob Baptist Church	50.00
Liberty Grove Baptist Church	300.00
Mission Home Baptist Church	250.00
Mount Carmel Baptist Church	150.00
Mount Pleasant Church	80.00
Mountain View Baptist Church	50.00
New River Baptist Church	829.06
North Beaver Baptist Church	100.00
Old Fields Baptist Church	100.00
Orion Baptist Church	125.00
Phoenix Baptist Church	100.00
Pleasant Home Baptist Church	100.00
Pleasant Valley Baptist Church	175.00
Presnell, Rev. Harvey	65.00
Round Knob Baptist Church	100.00
Skyline Telephone Membership Corporation	42.25
Smith Reunion	37.00
Three Forks Baptist Church	20.00
Triplett Reunion	32.00
Tuckerdale Baptist Church	300.00
Weaver Reunion	55.00
Total	$4004.06

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Addendum I - ARTICLES OF FAITH
(The Baptist Faith and Message as adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1963)

Baptists are a people who profess a living faith. This faith is rooted and grounded in Jesus Christ who is "the same yesterday and today and forever." Therefore the sole authority for faith and practice among Baptists is Jesus Christ whose will is revealed in the Holy Scriptures .

A living faith must experience a growing understanding of truth and must be continually interpreted and related to the needs of each new generation. Through out their history Baptist bodies, both large and small, have issued statements of faith which comprise a consensus of their beliefs. Such statements have never been regarded as complete, infallible statements of faith, nor as official creeds carrying mandatory authority. Thus this generation of Southern Baptists is in historic succession of intent and purpose as it endeavors to state for its time and theological climate those articles of the Christian faith which are most surely held among us.

Baptists emphasize the soul's competency before God, freedom in religion, and the priesthood of the believer. However, this emphasis should not be interpreted to mean that there is an absence of certain doctrines that Baptists believe, cherish, and
with which they have been and are now closely identified.

It is the purpose of this statement of faith and message to set forth certain teachings which we believe.

THE SCRIPTURES

The Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is the record of God's revelation of Himself to many. It is a perfect treasure of divine instruction. In has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter.

Ex. 24:4; Deut. 4:1-2; 17:19; Josh. 8:34; Psalm 19:7-10; 119: 11, 89; 105; 140. It reveals the principles by which God judges us; and therefore is, and will remain to the end of

THE SCRIPTURES (continued)

the world, the true center of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds, and religious opinions should be tried. The criterion by which the Bible is to be interpreted is Jesus Christ.

Isa. 34:16; 40:8; Jer. 15:16; 36; Matt. 5:17-18; 22-29; Luke 21:33, 44-46; John 5:39; 16:13-15; 17:17; Acts 2:16 ff; 17:11; Rom. 15:4; 16: 25-26; 2 Tim. 3:15-17; Heb. 1:1-2; 4:12; I Peter 1:25; 2 Peter 1:25; 2 Peter 1:19-21.

GOD

There is one and only one living and true God. He is an intelligent, spiritual, and personal Being, the Creator, Redeemer, Preserver, and Ruler of the Universe. God is infinite in holiness and all other perfections. To Him we owe the highest love, reverence, and obedience. The eternal God reveals Himself to us a Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, with distinct personal attributes, but without division of nature, essence, or being.

GOD THE FATHER

God as Father reigns with providential care over his universe, His creatures and the flow of the stream of human history according to the purpose of His grace. He is all powerful, all loving, and all wise, God is Father in truth to those who become children of God through faith in Jesus Christ. He is fatherly in His attitude toward all men.

Gen. 1:1, 2:7; Ex. 3:14, 6:2-3, 15:11ff, 20:1ff; Lev. 22:2; Deut. 6:4, 32:6; I Chron. 29:10; Psalm 19:1-3; Isa. 43:3, 15, 64:8; Jer. 10:10, 17:3; Matt. 6:9 ff, 7:11, 23:9, 28:19; Mark 1:9-11; John 4:24, 5:26, 14:6-13, 17:1-8; Acts 1:7; Rom. 8:14-15; I Cor. 8:6; Gal. 4:6; Eph. 4:6; Col. 1:15; I Tim. 1:17; Heb. 11:6, 12:9; I Peter 1:17; I John 5:7.

GOD THE SON

Christ is the eternal Son of God. In His incarnation as Jesus Christ he was conceived of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. Jesus perfectly revealed and did the will of God, taking upon Himself the demands and necessities of human nature and identifying Himself completely yet without sin. He was raised from the dead with a glorified body and appeared to His disciples as the person who was with them before His crucifixion. He ascended into Heaven and is now exalted at the right hand of God where he is the One Mediator, partaking of the nature of God and of man and whose Person is effected the reconciliation between God and man. He will return in power and glory to judge the world and to consummate His redemptive mission. He now dwells in all believers as the living and ever present Lord.

Gen. 18:1 ff; Psalm 2:7ff, 110:1ff; Isa. 7:14; 53; Matt. 1:18-23; 3:17, 8:29, 11:27, 14:33, 16:16, 27, 17:5, 27, 28: 1-6,19; Mark 1:1, 3:11; Luke 1:35, 4:41, 22:70, 24:46; John 1:1-18, 29, 10:30, 38, 11:25-27, 12:44-50, 14:7-11, 16:15-16, 28, 17:1-5, 21-22, 20:1-20, 28; Acts 1:9, 2:22-24, 7:55-56, 9:4-5, 20; Rom. 1:3-4, 3:23-26, 5:6-21, 8:1-3, 34, 10:4; I Cor. 1:30, 2:2, 8:6, 15:1-8, 24-28; 2 Cor. 5:19-21; Gal. 4:4-5; Eph. 1:20, 3:11, 4:7-10; Phil. 2:5-11; Col. 1:13-22, 2:9; I Thes. 4:14-18; I Tim. 2:5-6, 3:16; Titus 2:13-14; Heb. 1:1-3, 4:14-15, 7:14-28, 9:12-15, 24-24, 12:2, 13:8; I Peter 2:21-25, 3: 22; I John 1:7-9, 3:2, 4:14-15, 5:9; II John 7-9; Rev. 1:13-16, 5:9-14, 12:10-11, 13:8, 19: 16.

GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God. He inspired holy men of old to write the scriptures. Through illumination He enables men to understand truth. He exalts Christ. He convicts of sin, of righteousness and of judgment. He calls men to the Savior, and effects regeneration. He cultivates Christian character, comforts believers. and bestows the spiritual gifts by which they serve God through His church. He seals the believers unto the day of final redemption. His presence in the Christian is the assurance of God to bring the believers

GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT
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into the fullness of the stature of Christ. He enlightens and empowers the **believer and the church in worship, evangelism, and service.**

Gen. 1:2; Judges 14:6; Job 26:13; Psalm 51:11; 139:7ff; Isa. 61:1-3; Joel 2:28-32; Matt. 1:18, 3:16, 4:1, 12:28-32, 28:19; Mark 1:10, 12, Luke 1:35, 4:1, 18-19, 11:13, 12:12, 24-49; John 4:24, 14:16-17, 26, 15:26, 16:7-14; Acts 1:8, 2:1-4, 38, 4:31, 5:3, 6:3, 7:55, 8:17, 39, 10:44, 13:2, 15:28, 16:6, 19:1-6; Rom. 8:9-11, 14-16, 26-27; I Cor. 2:10-14, 3:16, 12:3-11; Gal. 4:6; Eph. 1:13-14, 4:30, 5:18; I Thes. 5:19; I Tim. 3:16, 4:1; 2 Tim. 1:14, 3:16; Heb. 9:8, 14; 2 Peter 1:21; I John 4:13, 5:6-7; Rev. 1: 10, 22:17.

MEN

Man was created by the special act of God, in his own image, and is the crowning work of His creation. In the beginning man was innocent of sin and was endowed by His Creator with freedom of choice. By his free choice man sinned against God and brought sin into the human race. Through the temptation of Satan man transgressed the command of God, and fell from his original innocence; whereby his posterity inherit a nature and an environment inclined toward sin, and as soon as they are capable of moral action become transgressors and are under condemnation. Only the grace of God can bring man into His holy fellowship and enable man to fulfill the creative purpose of God. The sacredness of human personality is evident in that God created man in His own image, and in that Christ died for man; therefore, every man possesses dignity and is worthy of respect and Christian love.

Gen. 1:26-30, 2:5,7, 18-22, 3:6-9; Psalm 1; 8:3-6, 32:1-5, 51:5; Isa. 6:5; Jer. 17:5; Matt. 16:26; Acts 17:26-31; Rom. 1:19, 32, 3:10-18, 23, 5:6, 12, 19, 6:6, 7:14-18; I Cor. 1:21-31, 15:19, 21-22; Eph. 2:1-22, 3:9-11.

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SALVATION

Salvation involves the redemption of the whole man, and is offered freely to all who accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, who by His own blood obtained eternal redemption for the believer. In its broadest sense salvation includes regeneration, sanctification, and glorification.

A. Regeneration, or the new birth, is a work of God's grace whereby believers become new creatures in Christ Jesus. It is a change of heart wrought by thee Holy Spirit through conviction of sin, to which the sinner responds in repentance toward God, and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Repentance and faith are inseparable experiences of grace. Repentance is a genuine turning from sin toward God. Faith is the acceptance of Jesus Christ and commitment of the entire personality to Him as Lord and Savior. Justification is God's gracious and full acquittal upon principles of His righteousness of all sinners who repent and believe in Christ. Justification brings the believer into a relationship for peace and favor with God.

B. Sanctification is the experience, beginning in regeneration, by which the believer is set apart to God's purposes, and is enabled to progress toward moral and spiritual perfection through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit dwelling in him. Growth in grace should continue throughout the regenerate person's life.

C. Glorification is the culmination of salvation and is the final blessed and abiding state of the redeemed.

Gen. 3:15; Ex. 3:14-17, 6:2-8; Matt. 1:21, 4:17, 16:21-26, 27:22 to 28:6; Luke 1:68-69, 2: 28-32; John 1:11-14, 29, 3:3-21, 36, 5:24, 10:9, 28-29, 15:1-16, 17:17; Acts 2:21, 4:12, 15:11, 16:30-31, 17:30-31, 20:32; Rom. 1:16-19, 2:4, 3:23-25, 4:3ff, 5:8-10, 6:1-23, 8:1-18, 29-39, 10:9-10, 13, 13:11-14; I Cor. 1:18, 30, 6:19-20, 15:10; 2 Cor. 5:17-20; Gal. 2:20, 3:13, 5:22-25, 6:15; Eph. 1:7, 2:8-22, 4:11-16; Phil. 2:12-13; Col. 1:9-22, 3:1ff; I Thes. 5:23-24; 2 Tim. 1:12; Titus 2:11-14; Heb. 2:1-3, 5:8-9, 9:24-28, 11:1-12:8, 14; James 2:14-16; I Peter 1:2-23; I John 1:6to 2:11; Rev. 3:21, 21:1 to 22:5.

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GOD'S PURPOSE AND GRACE

Election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which He regenerates, sanctifies, and glorifies sinners. It is consistent with the free agency of man, and comprehends all the means in connection with the end. It is a glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, and is infinitely wise, holy, and unchangeable. It excludes boasting and promotes humility.

All true believers endure to the end. Those whom God has accepted in Christ, and sanctified by His Spirit, will never fall away from the state of grace, but shall persevere to the end. Believers may fall into sin through neglect and temptation, whereby they grieve the Spirit, impair their graces and comforts, bring reproach on the cause of Christ, and temporal judgments on themselves, yet they shall be kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

Gen. 12:1-3; Ex. 19:5-8; I Sam. 8:4-7, 19-22; Isa. 5:1-7; Jer. 31:31ff; Matt. 16:18-19, 21:28-45, 24:22, 31, 25:34; Luke 1:68-79, 2:29-32, 19:41-44, 24:44-48; John 1:12-14, 3:16, 5:24, 6:44-45, 65, 10:27-29, 15:16, 17:6, 12, 17-18; Acts 20:32; Rom. 5:9-10, 8:28-39, 10: 12-15, 11:5-7, 26-36; I Cor. 1:1-2, 15:24-28; Eph. 1:4-23, 2:1-10, 3:1-11; Col. 1:12-14; 2 Thes. 2:13-14; 2 Tim. 1:12, 2:10, 19; Heb. 11:39-12:2; I Peter 1:2-5, 13, 2:4-10; I John 1:7-9, 2:19, 3:2

THE CHURCH

A New Testament church of the Lord Jesus Christ is a local body of baptized believers who are associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the gospel, observing the two ordinances of Christ, committed to His teachings, exercising the gifts, and privileges invested in them by His word, and seeking to extend the gospel to the ends of the earth.

This church is an autonomous body, operating through democratic processes under the Lordship of Jesus Christ. In such a congregation members are equally responsible. Its Scriptural officers are pastors and deacons.

The New Testament speaks also of the church as the body of Christ which includes all of the redeemed of all ages.

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Matt. 16:15-19, 18:15-20; Acts 2:41-42, 47, 5:11-14, 6:3-6, 13:1-3, 14:23,27, 15:1-30, 16:5, 20:28; Rom. 1:7; I Cor. 1:2, 3:16, 5:4-5,7:17, 9:13-14; 12; Eph. 1:22-23, 2:19-22, 3:8-11, 21, 5:22-32; Phil. 1:1; Col. 1:18; I Tim. 3:1-15, 4:14; I Peter 5:1-4; Rev. 2-3, 21:2-3.

BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. It is an act of obedience obedience whereby members of the church through partaking of the bread and the fruit of the vine, memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming. symbolizing the believer's faith in a crucified, and risen Savior. the believer's death to sin, the burial of the old life, and in the resurrection to walk in newness of life in Christ Jesus. It is a testimony to his faith in the final resurrection of the dead. Being a church ordinance, it is prerequisite to the privilege of church membership and to the Lord's Supper.

The Lord's Supper is a symbolic act of obedience whereby members of the church through partaking of the bread and the fruit of the vine, memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming.

Matt. 3:13-17, 26:26-30, 28:19-20; Mark 1:9-11, 14:22-26; Luke 3:21-22, 22:19-20; John 3:23; Acts 2:41-42, 8: 35-39, 16:30-33, 20:7; Rom. 6:3-5; I Cor. 10:16, 21, 11:23-29; Col. 2:12

THE LORD'S DAY

The first day of the week is the Lord's Day. It is a Christian institution for regular observance. It commemorates the resurrection of Christ from the dead and should be employed in exercises of worship and spiritual devotion, both public and private, and by refraining from worldly amusements, and resting from secular employment, work of necessity and mercy only being excepted.

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Ex. 20:8-11; Matt. 12:1-12, 28:1 ff, Mark 2:27-28, 16:1-7; Luke 24:1-3, 33-36; John 4:21-24, 20:1, 19-28; Acts 20:7; I Cor. 16:1-2; Col. 2:16, 3:16; Rev. 1:10.

THE KINGDOM

The Kingdom of God includes, both His general sovereignty over the universe and His particular kingship over men who willfully acknowledge Him as King. Particularly the Kingdom is the realm of salvation into which men enter by trustful, childlike, commitment to Jesus Christ. Christians ought to pray and to labor that the Kingdom may come and God's will be done on earth. The full consummation of the Kingdom awaits the return of Jesus Christ and the end of this age.

Gen. 1:1; Isa. 9:6-7; Jer. 23:5-6; Matt. 3:2, 4:8-10, 23, 12:25-28, 13:1-52, 25:31-46, 26:29; Mark 1:14-15, 9:1; Luke 4: 43, 8:1, 9:2, 12:31-32, 17:20-21, 23:42; John 3:3, 18-36; Acts 1:6-7, 17:22-31; Rom. 5:17, 8:19; I Cor. 15:24-28; Col. 1:13; Heb. 11:10,16, 12:28; I Peter 2:4-10, 4:13; Rev. 1:6,9, 5:10, 11:15, 21-22

LAST THINGS

God, in His own time and in His own way, will bring the world to its appropriate end. According to His promise, Jesus Christ will return personally and visibly in glory to the earth; the dead will be raised; and Christ will judge all men in righteousness. The unrighteous will be consigned to Hell, the place of everlasting punishment. The righteous in their resurrected and glorified bodies will receive their reward and will dwell forever in Heaven with the Lord.

Isa. 2:4, 11:9; Matt. 16:27, 18: 8-9, 19: 28, 24:27, 30, 36, 44, 25:31-46, 26:64; Mark 8:38, 9:43-48; Lk. 12:40, 48, 16:19-26, 17:22-37, 21:27-28; John 14:1-3; Acts 1:11, 17:31; Rom. 14:10; I Cor. 4:5, 15:24-28, 35-58; 2 Cor. 5:10: Phil. 3:20-21; Col. 1:5; 3:4; I Thes. 4:14-18, 5:1ff, 2 Thes. 1:7ff; 2; I

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Tim. 6:14; 2 Tim. 4:1, 8; Titus 2:13; Heb. 9:27-28; James 5:8; 2 Peter 3:7ff, I John 2:28, 3:2; Jude 14; Rev. 1:18, 3:11, 20:1 to 22:13.

EVANGELISM AND MISSIONS

It is the duty and privilege of every follower of Christ and of every church of the Lord Jesus Christ to endeavor to make disciples of all nations. The new birth of man's spirit by God's Holy Spirit means the birth of love for others. Missionary efforts on the part of all rests upon a spiritual necessity of the regenerate life, and is expressly and repeatedly commanded in the teachings of Christ. It is the duty of every child of God to seek constantly to win the lost to Christ by personal effort and by all other methods in harmony with the gospel of Christ.

Gen. 12:1-3; Ex. 19:5-6; Isa. 6:1-8; Matt. 9:37-38, 10:5-15, 13:18-30, 37-43, 16:19, 22:9-10, 24:14, 28:18-20; Luke 10:1-18, 24:46-53; John 14:11-12, 15:7-8, 16, 17:15, 20:21; Acts 1:8; 2; 8:26-40, 10:42-48, 13:2-3; Rom. 10:13-15; Eph.3:1-11; I Thes. 1:8; 2 Tim. 4:5; Heb. 2:1-3, 11:39 to 12:2; I Peter 2:4-10; Rev. 22:17

EDUCATION

The cause of education in the Kingdom of Christ is coordinate with the causes of missions and general benevolence, and should receive along with these the liberal support of the churches. An adequate system of Christian schools is necessary to a complete spiritual program for Christ's people.

In Christian education there should be a proper balance between academic freedom and academic responsibility. Freedom in any orderly relationship of human life is always limited and never absolute. The freedom of a teacher on a Christian school, college, or seminary is limited by the preeminence of Jesus Christ, by the authoritative

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nature of the Scriptures, and by the distinct purpose for which the school exists.

Deut. 4:1, 5, 9, 14, 6:1-10, 31:12-13; Neh. 8:1-8; Job 28:28; Psalm 19:7 ff, 119:11; Prov. 3:13 ff, 4:1-10, 8:1-7, 11, 15:14; Ecc. 7:19; Matt. 5:2, 7:24 ff, 28:19-20; Luke 2:40; I Cor. 1:18-31; Eph. 4:11-16; Phil. 4:8; Col. 2:3, 8-9; I Tim. 1:3-7; 2 Tim. 2:15, 3:14-17; Heb. 5:12 to 6:3; James 1:5, 3:17

STEWARDSHIP

God is the source of all blessings, temporal and spiritual; all that we have and are we owe to Him. Christians have a spiritual debtorship to the whole world, a trusteeship in the gospel, and a binding stewardship in their possessions. They are therefore under obligation to serve Him with their time, talents, and material possessions; and should recognize all these as entrusted to them to use for the glory of God and for helping others. According to the Scriptures, Christians should contribute of their means cheerfully, regularly, systematically, proportionately, and Him. Christians have a spiritual debtorship to the whole world, a trusteeship in the gospel, and a binding stewardship in their possessions. They are therefore under obligation to serve Him with their time, talents, and material possessions; and should recognize all these as entrusted to them to use for the glory of God and for helping others. According to the Scriptures, Christians should contribute of their means cheerfully, regularly, systematically, proportionately, and liberally for the advancement of the Redeemer's cause on earth.

Gen. 14:20; Lev. 27:30-32; Deut. 8:18; Mal. 3:8-12; Matt. 6:1-4, 19-21, 23:23, 25:14-29; Luke 12:16-21, 42, 16:1-13; Acts 2:44-47, 5:1-11, 17:24-25; Rom. 6:6-22, 12:1-2; I Cor. 4:1-2, 6:19-20; 12; 16:1-4; 2 Cor. 8-9, 12:15; Phil. 4:10-19; I Peter 1:18-19

COOPERATION

Christ's people should, as occasion requires, organize such associations and conventions as may best secure cooperation for the great objects of the Kingdom of God. Such organizations have no authority over one another or over the churches. They are voluntary and advisory bodies designed to elicit, combine, and direct the energies of our people in the most effective manner. Members of New Testament churches should cooperate with one another in carrying forward the missionary, educational, and benevolent ministries for the extension of Christ's Kingdom. Christian unity in the New Testament sense is spiritual harmony and voluntary cooperation for common ends by various groups of Christ's people. Cooperation is desirable between the various Christian denominations, when the end to be attained is itself justified, and when such cooperation involves no violation of conscience or compromise of loyalty to Christ and His Word as revealed in the New Testament.

Ex. 17:12, 18:17 ff; Judges 7:21; Ezra 1:3-4, 2:68-69, 5:14-15; Neh. 4; 8: 1-5; Matt. 10: 5-15, 20:1-16, 22:1-10, 28:19-20; Mark 2:3; Luke 10:1 ff; Acts 1:13-14, 2:1 ff, 4: 31-37, 13:2-3, 15: 1-35; I Cor. 1:10-17, 3:5-15; 12; 2 Cor. 8-9; Gal. 1:6-10; Eph. 4:1-16; Phil. 1:15-18

THE CHRISTIAN AND THE SOCIAL ORDER

Every Christian is under obligation to seek to make the will of Christ supreme in his own life and in human society. Means and methods used for the improvement of society and the establishment of righteousness among men can be truly and permanently helpful only when they are rooted in the regeneration of the individual by the saving grace of God in Christ Jesus. The Christian should oppose in the Spirit of Christ every form of greed, selfishness, and vice. He should work to provide for the orphaned, the needy, the aged, the helpless and the sick. Every Christian should seek to bring industry, government, and society as a whole under he sway of the principles of righteousness, truth and

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brotherly love. In order to promote these ends Christians should be ready to work with all men of good will in any good cause always being careful to act in the spirit of love without compromising their loyalty to Christ and His truth.

Ex. 20:3-17; Lev. 6:2-5; Deut. 10:12, 27:17; Psalm 101:5; Micah 6:8; Zech. 8:16; Matt. 5:13-16, 43-48, 22:36-40, 25:35; Mark 1:29-34, 2:3 ff, 10:21; Luke 4:18-21, 10:27-37, 20-25; John 15:12, 17:15; Rom. 12-14; I Cor. 5:9-10, 6:1-7, 7:20-24, 10:23 to 11:1; Gal. 3:26-28; Eph. 6:5-9; Col. 3:12-17; I Thes. 3:12; Philemon; James 1:27, 2:8

PEACE AND WAR

It is the duty of Christians to seek peace with all men on principles of righteousness. In accordance with the spirit and teachings of Christ they should do all in their power to put an end to war. The true remedy for the war spirit is the gospel of our Lord. The supreme need of the world is the acceptance of His teachings in all the affairs of men and nations, and the practical application of His law of love.

Isa. 2:4; Matt. 5:9, 38-48, 6:33, 26:52; Luke 22:36, 38; Rom. 12:18-19, 13: 1-7, 14:19; Heb. 12:14; James 4:1-2

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

God alone is Lord of the conscience, and He has left it free from the doctrines and commandments of men which are contrary to His Word or not contained in it. Church and state should be separate. The state owes to every church protection and full freedom in the pursuit of its spiritual ends. In providing for such freedom no ecclesiastical group or denomination should be favored by the state more than others. Civil government being ordained of God, it is the duty of Christians to render loyal obedience thereto in all things not contrary to the revealed will of God. The church should not resort to the civil power to carry on its work. The Gospel of

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Christ contemplates spiritual means alone for the pursuit of its ends. The state has no right to impose penalties for religious opinions of any kind. The state has no right to impose taxes for the support of any form of religion. A free church in a free state is the Christian ideal, and this implies the right of free and unhindered access to God on the part of all men, and the right to form and prop-agate opinions in the sphere of religion without interference by the civil power.

Gen. 1:27, 2:7; Matt. 6:6-7, 24, 16:26, 22:21; John 8:36; Acts 4:19-20; Rom. 6:1-2, 13:1-7; Gal. 5:1, 13; Phil. 3:20; I Tim. 2:1-2; James 4:12; I Peter 2:12-17, 3:11-17, 4:12-19

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
PREAMBLE

For the purpose of preserving, propagating, and making articulate the principles of our faith and to the end that this body of cooperating churches may be governed in an orderly manner, consistent with the accepted tenets of associations of Missionary Baptist Churches, for the purpose of preserving the liberties inherent in each individual church, and in order to set forth the relationship of this body to other Baptist bodies, we do adopt and establish this Constitution.

Article I - Name and Membership

Section 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Baptist Association.

Section 2. This Association shall consist of all Baptist Churches in Ashe County, and communities closely adjacent thereto, of like faith and practice, who wish to affiliate with this Association and are loyal to the faith and practice of the Baptist Denomination.

Section 3. The membership of this body shall be the pastor and three (3) messengers from each church. A letter certifying their appointment and giving the statistics of the membership and work of the church shall be sent to the Associational office at least twenty (20) days before the opening session of the annual meeting.

Section 4. Any church reported to be irregular in faith or practice may be investigated by order of the Association and such action taken, as may be decided by the Association.

Section 5. The Association shall be sole judge of its membership and may receive churches according to the Association's Constitution and By-Laws. Any church in the Association which fails to cooperate with the Association for two consecutive years shall be contacted by the Executive

Article I - Name and Membership (continued)

Committee to ascertain the wishes and desires of the church relative to its continuance in the Association.

A Cooperating church should be defined as one which sends a report (church letter) to the annual session, is represented (by messengers) at the annual session, represented (by Executive Committee members) at the regularly scheduled Executive Committee meetings, contributes to the financial program of the Association, and is in general sympathy with the purposes of the Association. The Association recognizes that any affiliated church has the right to withdraw its fellowship from the Association.

Article II - Purpose

Section 1. The purpose of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches of the Association in devising and promoting measures and programs for the spread of the gospel in our bounds and in all the world, in compliance with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the Southern Baptist Convention.

Article III - Annual Church Letters (Annual Church Profile)

Section 1. The churches shall report annually statistical and general information upon a printed form furnished by the Associational office. The printed form shall be furnished to the church at least six weeks before the convening of an annual session of the Association and returned to the Associational office at least twenty (20) days before the opening session of the annual meeting.

Article IV - Officers and their Duties

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Associational

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Missionary, and the heads of such organizations as are set up and approved by the Association. The offices of Clerk and Treasurer may be the same person, at the discretion of the body.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Moderator of the Association (Vice-Moderator in his absence or disability) to preside over the annual sessions and all special sessions, including the meetings of the Executive Committee. As the presiding officer, he shall open the meetings punctually at the appointed time, enforce the rules, preserve the order, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage. He shall name the committees and representatives of Institutions and agencies described in Sections 5, 6, and 8 of Article V of the Constitution at the opening of the annual session. He shall be elected for a one year term, and he cannot succeed himself after the second consecutive term.

Section 3. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of all proceedings of the Executive committee meetings, annual meetings, and make such available to the body and the Associational Missionary for printing and distribution.

Section 4. The treasurer shall have charge of all Associational funds as the Association may direct and make a report of receipts and disbursements at each annual meeting.

Section 5. (1) The Associational Missionary shall be elected upon a recommendation of the Committee on Missions, and by a vote of the Association at a regular scheduled meeting . The relationship between the Association and its Associational Missionary may be terminated following a reasonable notice of not less than 30 days.

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

(2) The Associational Missionary shall promote the work and witness of the Association and denomination, cooperating with the churches, their pastors and officers and Associational committees and organizations.

A. He shall be responsible for planning, promoting and executing the ministry of the Association in cooperation with the Committee on Missions.
B. He shall make an annual report to the Association at the August meeting.
C. He shall be ex-officio member of all committees of the Association, serving in an advisory and/or resource capacity.
D. He shall seek to visit each church in the Association in order to:
    (1) Enrich Christian fellowship among churches.
    (2) Encourage and strengthen the ministry of the churches.
    (3) Enhance the cooperative relationship between the churches and the Association.
E. He shall, when necessary, conduct surveys or inquiries, in order to determine specific needs for ministry with the area of the Association.
F. He shall, upon request, provide a list of qualified persons who may be considered by churches seeking pastors.
G. He shall have full administrative responsibility for all personnel employed by the Association.

(3) The Associational Missionary is entitled to two weeks vacation annually. Upon completion of five years service, the Associational Missionary shall be entitled to three weeks annual vacation, and after ten years, four weeks annual vacation. Vacation is to be taken within the calendar year, and it is not accumulative.

(4) Should there occur at any time a grievance on the part of the Association of the Associational Missionary,

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

either party may consult with the Moderator and Chairman of the Missions Committee.

Section 6. The officers of the other organizations within the Association shall be nominated by their respective organizations and their names furnished, and presented to the Association for action at each annual session.

Section 7. The officers designated in Section 1, the Associational Missionary excepted, shall be elected at the morning session of the first day of the annual meeting and shall assume their duties at the close of the annual meeting, at which they are elected, and serve until the close of the next session.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties

Section 1. The committees of the Association shall be: Executive Committee, Committee on New Churches, Program Committee, Committee on Place and Preacher, Resolutions Committee, Missions Committee, Nominating Committee, and such other committees as the Association may designate and name at any annual session. All committee members will serve for a period of three (3) years. Initially each committee will, with the consent of each member, designate which committee member will serve the three (3) year, two (2) year, and one (1) year term. After the completion of a term, no member shall be eligible for re-election to the committee until after the lapse of one year.

Section 2. The Associational Executive Committee shall be composed of one lay member of all churches, the pastors of such churches, and the officers of the Association, as listed under Section 1 of Article IV, Twelve members of this committee shall constitute a quorum to transact business, after notice of such meeting has been mailed, or otherwise given to all members of the committee at least three days prior to the proposed meeting. Members of this committee

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

shall be elected by the churches annually.

Section 3. The Committee on Organized Churches shall consist of the Moderator, ex officio, three pastors, and three lay-persons. This committee shall be responsible for receiving letters of application for membership into the Association by organized Baptist Churches. This committee's responsibility shall be to communicate to applying churches the requirements of a cooperating church, as herein defined in Article I, section 5, paragraph 2 of the Ashe Baptist Association Constitution. Applying churches, upon recommendation of this committee, shall, with approval of the messengers at the annual session, serve one year under watch care of the Association. This committee shall work with this church during this period and then make final recommendations at the next annual meeting.

Section 4. The Program Committee shall consist of five members who shall prepare an order of business for the annual meeting, including the designating of persons to make reports as to the various objects supported by the Churches of the Association. The Associational office shall prepare copies of the same for distribution to those attending the annual sessions of the Association.

Section 5. The Committee on Place and Preacher shall consist of three members, who may be appointed by the Moderator, with consent of the Association. At each annual session, this Committee shall recommend to the Association a place, or places, for the holding of the annual meeting of the Association, and shall designate a minister to deliver the Associational sermon and an alternate.

Section 6. The Resolutions Committee shall consist of three members to be appointed by the Moderator. This Committee shall prepare and submit to the Association such resolutions as it may consider pertinent and proper for the good of the body.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

Section 7. The Nominating Committee shall name a Nominating Committee of five (5) members who shall bring to the second Executive Committee of the calendar year, (which is normally in April), for election of the following nominations: Clerk, Youth Director, Brotherhood Director, Discipleship Training Director, Evangelism Chairperson, Moderator, Music Director, Seminary Extension Director, Sunday School Director, and others who are invited to receive training at the Key Leadership Conference by the Baptist State Convention, (which is normally in May).

This Committee shall also present at the annual meeting for election all of the other committee members which are covered herein. Organizational heads will be named by their respective organizations and presented to the Nominating Committee at least two weeks before their nominations are presented to the Executive Committee at their second meeting, (which is normally in April).

If the organizations do not present their respective organizational heads two weeks prior to the April Executive Committee, then the Nominating Committee will select those needed and present their names to the second Executive Committee meeting (normally in April). The chairman of the Nominating Committee will contact these organizational heads before making these selections to be sure they have not already selected someone.

All other nominations shall be presented and elected on the first day of the annual meeting of the Association. All nominations at the Executive Committee meeting and the annual meeting are subject to additional nominations from the floor, and the expressed will of the Association.

Section 8. The Moderator is authorized and directed to appoint suitable persons at each session to prepare and present to the next session reports on the various subjects and causes customary to be presented and to notify such persons in due time before the meeting of the Association. (Refer to Article IV, Section 2.)

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

Section 9. The Board of Directors of the Ashe Baptist Summer Camp shall consist of nine members who shall initially be chosen, three (3) for one year, three (3) for two years, and three (3) for three years.

Of the said members, three shall be active pastors in the Association. After the completion of one term, no member shall be eligible for re-election to this board until after the lapse of one year. No more than one member of this board shall be chosen from any one church of the Association. The treasurer of the Ashe Baptist Summer Camp, (who shall serve in addition to the nine member Board of Directors), shall be elected by the Board of Directors on an indefinite basis. He/She shall have voting privileges as do other members.

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to cooperate with the officials, pastors, and Executive Committee of the Association in promoting and advancing the development and operation of the camp; to supervise and direct the work of the camp; and to make a report to the Association at each annual meeting. Vacancies occurring in this organization shall be filled in accordance with the provision of Section 7 thereof.

Section 10. The Mission Committee shall consist of seven (7) members, five (5) of which shall be heads of the following organizations: Sunday School, Discipleship Training, Brotherhood, WMU and Church Music. The names of these five (5) shall be submitted to the Associational Nominating Committee by their respective organizations and voted on by the full body on the first day of the annual meeting. The other two (2) members shall be active pastors in the Association and they shall be named by the Associational Nominating Committee. They too shall be elected along with the organizational heads. Should any of the before mentioned organizations fail to submit the name of a person nominated by themselves to serve as head of that organization, then the Associational Nominating Committee shall be responsible for nominating that person.

These seven (7) people shall constitute the

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

Associational Missionary Search Committee, when such a need arises. This Committee shall work with the Associational Missionary in promoting the work of the Association and lead and assist in determining need for beginning new missions stations and organizing new churches. The Moderator and Associational Missionary shall be ex officio members of this committee.

Section 11. The Ordination Committee shall consist of five (5) members, all of whom must be ordained ministers, meeting the qualifications as stated in I Timothy 3:1-7, and who are members of cooperating churches of the Ashe Baptist Association. The Chairman, at his discretion, may invite the pastor of a candidate to sit with the committee. Churches of the Association desiring to ordain a preacher to the Gospel ministry, and desiring to use the services of the Ordination Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association, shall use the following procedure.

1. The Church in conference shall vote to ask the Ordination Committee to examine the candidate and so notify the chairman.
2. The candidate shall meet the following conditions before ordination:
   (a) Hold membership in a cooperating Missionary Baptist church.
   (b) Shall have held a license to preach, issued by a cooperating Missionary Baptist Church for not less than six months.
3. The chairman shall set a suitable time and place, notifying the members, for the examination.
4. The candidate shall be examined as to his conversion, call to the ministry, doctrinal beliefs, and attitude toward our denomination and its programs.
5. The Committee Chairman shall notify the church of its recommendations and they may proceed with the ordination.

Section 12. The Evangelism Committee, composed of 5

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members, shall promote the work of Evangelism in the churches and the Association in cooperation with the State Department of Evangelism. All plans and programs are to be subject to the approval of the Association, or its Executive Committee.

Section 13. The Nominating Committee shall nominate a Committee on Constitution and By-Laws consisting of five members, of which the first named shall serve as chairman. It shall be the duty of this committee to receive, examine and make recommendations to the Association on all proposed amendments to the Constitution or the By-Laws.

Section 14. The Nominating Committee shall nominate a Properties Committee, which shall consist of three members, and shall have the responsibility of recommending the purchase of necessary property, and the construction of necessary buildings. This Committee shall recommend any repairs and improvements needed on Associational property beyond normal repair. All recommendations are subject to approval by the Executive Committee between sessions or the full-body session.

Section 15. The Committee on Finance, composed of five (5) members and the treasurer, shall study the Association's financial needs for an adequate program, prepare and present a budget to the Association for the following year, devise and develop plans for securing the cooperation of churches in providing funds to meet the budget. The treasurer will submit a complete financial report at the annual meeting in August.

Section 16. The Committee on Youth shall be composed of at least nine (9) members, three (3) of whom shall be ministers. The Chairman, also called "Youth Director," shall be selected from within their own ranks. The Committee shall be concerned with ways of relating youth to the churches of the Association and shall lead the Churches and Association to plan programs and activities that will meet their needs.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

Section 17. The Seminary Extension Committee, composed of five (5) members, shall work with the chairman of the Committee to plan, promote and implement the offering of such courses of study as will meet the needs of pastors and lay-persons in the areas of Biblical studies, historical theology,
Baptist life, church administration, Christian education, and pastoral training.

Section 18. There shall be five (5) trustees of the Association. They shall handle all legal matters of the Association under the direction of the said Association. Trustees shall be elected for an indefinite term and shall serve at the pleasure of the Association.

Section 19. The Associational Historian, in his/her sole discretion, shall collect facts of interest to the Association and the cooperating churches, and shall make a report to each annual session of the Association. In addition, he/she shall contact hosting churches of the annual meeting and request a brief history of each church for publication in the Book of Reports and the Associational Annual.

Article VI
Meetings and Reports

Section 1. The Association shall hold an annual meeting convening in the month of August of each year, at such time and place as may be designated or authorized by the previous session.

Section 2. Each organization within the Association shall make a written report to the Association at each annual meeting.

Section 3. A special session of the Association may be called by the Moderator with the approval of the Executive Committee.

Article VI
Meetings and Reports (continued)

Section 4. The Associational Executive Committee shall meet quarterly.

Article VII
Order of Religious Exercises

Section 1. At the annual meeting the Associational Sermon shall be delivered as herein before provided.

Section 2. In addition to the Associational Sermon, the Program Committee shall designate a minister to deliver at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while such sermons are being delivered. No sermon shall be scheduled so as to conflict or interfere with the business sessions of the Association or the presentation of reports to the Association.

Article VIII
Amendments

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present, and voting on the second day, provided that such amendment is presented in writing on the first day, or that notice of such amendment shall have been given during the previous annual session.

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1. We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three Persons in the God-head; the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.
2. We believe that the Bible, the Old and New Testament, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.
3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.
4. We believe that Salvation is by Grace through Faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.
5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.
6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.
7. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace and Glory.
8. We believe in a separate resurrection and judgment, both for the righteous, and unrighteous dead.
9. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, and on profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now, in the presence of God, angels and the assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into this covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness and comfort to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain worship, ordinances, discipleship and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church and the relief of the poor; and the spread of the Gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealing, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger, to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense but always ready for reconciliation; and mindful of the rule of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.

Making Life for Older Adults...
The Best of Times

Thank you, North Carolina Baptists!

Our February Offering this year was the strongest yet. Gifts through the Cooperative Program have come to us above the norm. Thank you for making it possible for us to make this year "The Best of Times" for so many North Carolina Baptist Older Adults.

NEW PLACES

Cliffwood Retirement Community, Fayetteville

Opening in early 1999, The Cliffwood Retirement Community is designed to meet the needs of middle income Older Adults. It will offer residents a continuum of care ranging from Independent Living and Assisted Living options to nursing care.

A New Retirement Community, Concord

Design work for a new continuing care retirement community in the Concord area has begun with ground breaking expected in the spring of 1998.

NEW PROGRAMS

Home and Community Based Programs

The Solarium Programs for Older Adults suffering from dementia related disorders are well established in the Prince Nursing Center at Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston-Salem and in the Rickman Nursing Center at the Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville.

A new home and community based program offering respite care to Older Adults in the Asheville area began this year. This service provides safe, structured, creative enrichment for seniors diagnosed with dementia-related disorders such as Alzheimer's disease, and provides relief for families giving in-home care to these dear ones.

NEW PEOPLE

Winston-Salem, Albemarle, Hamilton and Asheville

Margaret Almond has joined the Executive Management Group as Vice President for Development.
Tammy Harwood brings nursing and management skills to the position of Home Manager and Administrator at the Taylor House in Albemarle.
Paulette Richmond is completing a year of service as Home Manager/Administrator at The Hamilton Baptist Home in Hamilton.
Edgar Ferrell, retired pastor of Black Mountain First Baptist, now serves as Chaplain at the Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville
Calvin Knight serves as Chaplain at the Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston-Salem.

We send this report with our gratitude for your prayers and gifts enabling us to make life for Baptist Older Adults
The Best of Times!

William B. Stillerman
Baptist Retirement Homes
of North Carolina, Inc

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES - 1997

Serving North Carolina Baptists for 862 years

1996 COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY DATA
TOTAL ENROLLMENTS (REGULAR AND SUMMER SCHOOL): 24,125
GRADUATES: 4,119 - FACULTY: 1,456 - ADMINISTRATION: 161
CHURCH-RELATED-VOCATIONS STUDENTS: 526

CAMPBELL UNIVERSITY

- Opened January 5, 1887 as Buies' Creek Academy
- Became Buies' Creek Junior College, August 21, 1924.
- Authorized by Baptist State Convention to become Campbell College, December 17, 1926
- Began a senior college program with the junior class in 1961
- School of Law founded in 1976
- Graduate program in Education launched in 1977, in Business, 1978.
- Became Campbell University on June 6, 1979 School of Pharmacy and School of Education founded in 1985
- School of Divinity founded in 1995

Norman A. Wiggins, President

CHOWAN COLLEGE

- Founded and opened for students as Chowan Female Institute, October 11, 1848
- First called Chowan Female Collegiate Institute in 1851
- First called Chowan Baptist Female Institute in 1868
- Became Chowan College on May 17, 1910
- Became coeducational senior college, 1931
- Changed to a junior college, September 1937
- Changed to senior college status, Fall 1992

Stanley G. Lott, President

GARDNER-WEBB UNIVERSITY

- First chartered as Boiling Springs High School, December 2, 1905
- Opened as Boiling Springs Junior College, September 3, 1928
- Name changed and new charter granted to Gardner-Webb Junior College, Inc., June 1942
- Charter amended in conformity to the Constitution of the NC Baptist State Convention, November 1946
- Became a fully accredited senior college December 1, 1971
- Became Gardner-Webb University on January 1, 1993 and opened School of Divinity, Fall 1993

M. Christopher White, President

MARS HILL COLLEGE

- First commencement as French Broad Baptist Institute July 4, 1856
- Chartered as Mars Hill College February 16, 1859
- Opened as Mars Hill Junior College, August 14, 1922
- Began a senior college program in 1962

A. Max Lennon, President

MEREDITH COLLEGE

- Incorporated as Baptist Female University of NC, February 27, 1891
- Opened for students, September 27, 1899.
- Became Baptist University for Women by legislative enactment, January 20, 1905
- Became Meredith College by legislative enactment, January 24, 1911

John E. Weems, President

WINGATE UNIVERSITY

- Authorized as Wingate School of Union Baptist Association, 1895. Opened 1896, chartered 1897
- Became a junior college in 1923
- Baptist State Convention assumed sponsorship, withdrew in 1930 and returned Wingate College to support by Union and other associations
- Trustees first appointed by N.C. Baptist State Convention in 1949
- Became a senior college in 1977
- Began offering graduate work in 1985
- Became Wingate University in 1995

Jerry E. McGee, President

WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY

- Opened as Wake Forest Institute, February 3, 1834
- Chartered as Wake Forest College, Wake Forest December 28, 1838
- Bowman Gray Medical School of Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, officially opened July 1, 1941 first class September 10, 1941
- Wake Forest College authorized by special session of Convention meeting in Greensboro, July 30, 1946 to move to Winston-Salem
- First session in Winston-Salem began with the summer term June 18, 1956. Wake Forest College became a university, June 12, 1967
- Baptist State Convention and Wake Forest University established a new relationship on November 11, 1986 as described in the Convention's Constitution, Article XIV

Thomas K. Hearn, Jr. President

Meredith College has formally requested a new relationship with the Baptist State Convention, patterned after the one with Wake Forest University. The matter will be voted upon during the November 11-12, 1997 Convention.

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

THE BIBLICAL RECORDER

Associational Report--1997

These are "watershed years" for Baptists! Analysts almost daily remind us that the radical changes in society and the erosion of so much that has been precious to us in our religious life is creating a time of major "transition" as we Baptists and other church groups face the 21st century.

The Biblical Recorder tries to tell the whole story with a focus on the many positive things people are doing in their churches and world missions, along with the crucial issues which cannot be concealed and ignored if we honor our heritage from yesterday and fulfill our mission for tomorrow.

There is no way to address these issues without correct and reliable information. The Biblical Recorder was born and continues to serve for that purpose. In the 164 years of state Baptist papers in North Carolina, never was the Recorder more needed than now for people to have the truth.

People are reading less than any time in recent history at the very time there is an increased number of publications and periodicals. It is true of secular publications, it is true of wholesome books from respected libraries, it is true of religious publications. We live in an electronic age, what some have described as an "information glut."

An informed Baptist is a better Baptist; no democracy, including our local churches, can survive long without an informed, involved constituency which makes decisions based upon accurate information from reliable sources.

The Biblical Recorder should be in every Baptist home in North Carolina. Your support as a subscriber and reader, coupled with your encouragement to others, will enable the paper to better serve the constituency with accurate and helpful information.

In order to save churches large amounts of money and to increase the readership of the Recorder, Church News Service (CNS) was launched in 1990. This system lets any congregation have their church news incorporated into the Biblical Recorder which saves staff time, postage and printing costs. Usually, for less than what it costs to produce the church newsletter, CNS gives the entire Baptist communication package to each family in the congregation. Recent and anticipated increases in mailing costs makes CNS a greater value now than ever before.

The paper deliberately focuses more attention on North Carolina Baptists with news, features and inspirational articles which will encourage individuals and churches in their witness and ministry. One sure way to conquer problems and overcome the barriers to effective witness and ministry is to have the facts, know the issues and be adequately informed.

That is why the Recorder was born; that is why it serves today. For more information on how your church can subscribe or use CNS, contact:

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ANNUITY BOARD REPORT

Retirement will cost more than you think. Financial planners suggest you will need from 75% to 85% of your salary just before you retire. You may need more or less depending on your individual situation, including whether or not you have depended on a parsonage prior to retirement.

Social Security won't be enough. It now replaces only 25% - 40% of income, and most younger workers don't expect to receive that much when they retire. Where will you get the income you need?

The Church Annuity Plan is specifically designed to serve pastors, other ministers, secretaries, and other paid church workers. Anyone who receives taxable income from a church recognized by their state convention may participate in the Plan. It operates with the cooperation and financial support of your state convention. The Church Annuity Plan offers you certain unique benefits.

The Church Annuity Plan is an Internal Revenue Code Section 403(b) tax sheltered annuity. You could save on taxes up to five ways:

* Contributions made for you by your church are not subject to current income tax, within legal limits.
* Contributions you make through a salary reduction agreement are not subject to current income tax, within legal limits.
* Contributions made for ordained ministers are not subject to self-employment tax for Social Security.
* Plan investment earnings are not subject to current taxes.
* Retired ministers may receive retirement benefits paid by the Annuity Board as a tax-free housing allowance, within legal limits.

The plan is flexible. You tailor contributions to fit you situation. Both you and your church can contribute. You can move money among the plan investments and

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redirect contributions as your circumstances change. At retirement, you choose from a broad range of payment options to receive your benefits. With this control you assume responsibility for much of what happens with your plan. That's as it should be; you are planning for your retirement.

The Plan lets you choose from a variety of plan investments. You can create an investment strategy that meets your financial needs and tolerance for investment risk. You take responsibility for your retirement planning by making the decisions that help determine how much money will be available when you retire. Whether you're a conservative, moderate or aggressive investor, you'll find investments that are right for you. The Annuity Board works with experienced investment managers to actively manage the various investment funds and carefully monitor their performance.

Submitted by

Rev. Carroll Arant

DIVISION OF EVANGELISM, BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION 1997 REPORT

With joy I report that North Carolina Baptists are continuing to experience progress in our evangelism efforts. Both our full time staff and field staff consultants are leading a variety of evangelism training events in many associations as we encourage churches to learn and use creative methods for doing evangelism. As a result of the prayers and labor by the members of North Carolina Baptist churches empowered by God's Spirit, baptisms in this state increased again for the third consecutive year. Based upon data taken from the Annual Church Profiles (ACP) and subsequent inquiries, total baptisms reported in 1996 were 25, 674. This is a 1.9% increase over 1995. Many of our churches failed to submit an ACP and their baptisms are not recorded in this report. In addition to the numerous training events we conduct across the state each year, we also present a traditional statewide evangelism conference. The purpose of this event is to offer spiritual enrichment and motivation through dynamic preaching and outstanding music. This conference encourages church leaders to emphasize the importance of evangelism. In 1998 the State Evangelism Conference will be held at War Memorial Auditorium in Greensboro, February 2-3.

In cooperation with the Southern Baptist Convention, our theme for 1997-2000 in evangelism will be CELEBRATE JESUS 2000 (CJ 2000). This is a four year plan to share a gospel witness with every person in the United States. The emphasis for this strategy will be: 1997 Prayer, 1998 Personal Witnessing, 1999 Proclamation and 2000 Preservation. Promotional packets related to CJ 2000 have been mailed to churches. Local associations have both a packet and a video to assist in this emphasis. Our goal is to touch every home in North Carolina with a gospel witness before the beginning of 2001. In addition to the Evangelism Division staff, special assistants known as Field Staff Consultants have been trained to help associations and churches in N.C. develop strategies which will enable them achieve this goal. These specialists are available to assist in association or church evangelism planning, training and implementation.

When we recognize that 45-50% of the more than 7 million residents of North Carolina are not actively affiliated with any church, do we realize that we must penetrate our culture with the gospel of Jesus? The staff of the Evangelism Division is available to help reach these people with the message of Christ's redeeming love. Often, most newer members in our churches are coming as transfer members from other churches while we are failing in our responsibility to reach those who have no relationship with Christ. Look around your community! Discover where the unchurched are! Determine their physical and emotional needs. Develop attractive innovative ministries which will give you the opportunity to meet their spiritual needs through the power of Christ.

We are continuing in our efforts with the North American Mission Board (NAMB), Communication Services and Public Relations of Baptist State Convention to develop a plan which will allow us to broadcast more spot announcements via radio and television. This will enable us to highlight both a Christian message and our North Carolina Baptist work.

PERSONAL EVANGELISM

The work of our Personal Evangelism Department continues to grow under the creative and resourceful leadership of Nelson Searcy. Recently available is a new electronic magazine which contains articles, book reviews, educational materials, facts and trends in evangelism, success

stories from local church evangelism activities and ideas you can use. Subscribe today by sending an E-mail request to nsearcy@bscnc.org or call our office.

WITNESS TRAINING-- Exciting plans are being made to provide opportunities in 1998 for more Christians to become confidently equipped to effectively share their faith. Numerous personal witnessing approaches can be learned through BWR, CWT, WIN Schools, One-Day Soul Winning Workshops, People Sharing Jesus and others. To schedule a seminar or training program, contact the Evangelism Division.

JESUS VIDEO - Another new and creative way for sharing the Gospel is available by using the new JESUS video produced by Campus Crusade. This 2 hour film presents the story of Christ and then tells how the viewer can receive Jesus as Savior. Copies of this video can be purchased through the Evangelism Division for $5.00 each when purchasing more than 5 copies. It is available in several languages at an additional cost. This is an excellent way to saturate a new community, reach language groups or share the gospel with a friend through a video presentation. Individuals may wish to give copies to a video store to be placed in their family video section.

YOUTH EVANGELISM-- More than 2,600 youth and their leaders attended the Youth Evangelism Spring Thing and the two Youth Evangelism Weeks at N.C. Baptist Assembly. During these conferences, more than 2,050 youth were trained to share their faith. Also, a total of 704 decisions were recorded which included 177 professions of faith, 465 recommitments, 25 special service and 37 other. SUPER SUMMER 1997 at Carowinds, another special youth evangelism event of the Evangelism Division, was very successful with more than 26,000 in attendance despite the rains and flooding resulting from hurricane "Danny". More than 2,822 youth recorded spiritual decisions during the worship celebration including 563+ professions of faith.
The Personal Evangelism Department began offering a collection of ten Youth Evangelism Seminars (Y.E.S.) designed to assist associations and churches in reaching lost and unchurched youth in their areas. Many of these conferences were conducted across the state in 1997. Our staff is available and desirous to help association and church leadership plan youth evangelism events in your area.

STUDENT EVANGELISM TEAMS-- Our two student evangelism teams maintained their normally busy summer schedule of music and ministry for state, association and church youth events. They performed each day during our Youth Evangelism Weeks, Single Adult Evangelism Retreat at Caswell and SUPER SUMMER at Carowinds. The EVANGELS conducted three-day Youth Happening events for 16 associations and churches. Their ministry activities included music, drama, Bible studies, testimonies, recreation and personal evangelism. WITNESS presented 35 concerts in 29 churches in addition to their daily music and testimony concert ministry in youth conferences at Caswell, Mundo Vista, Baptist Children's Homes, and resort areas. Many youth responded during the invitations presented at each concert. Contact the Evangelism Division to request one of these youth evangelism teams for the summer of 1998.

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY CAMPUS EVANGELISM -- We continue to work with the Youth and Campus Ministry Division and BSU Campus Ministers in offering witness training to Christian students on campus. Cooperative plans are also in process for a major statewide evangelism event which will target college students.

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DIVISION OF EVANGELISM, BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION 1997 REPORT

SINGLE ADULT EVANGELISM-- Each spring we sponsor an evangelism retreat at N.C. Baptist Assembly. In June, 210 singles of various ages enjoyed this conference which included equipping seminars, worship services and free time.

EVANGELISM DEVELOPMENT

We continue to expand the work of our Evangelism Development Department. During his tenure as a full-time employee, Ed Bullock opened new doors of partnership with N.C. Baptist Men as we moved three laity ministries under the Evangelism Division umbrella and joined efforts with the Baptist Men's Division. These are: North Carolina Baptist Lay Witness Foundation (NC BLWF), Lay Renewal and Prayer for Spiritual Awakening. At the end of 1996, Ed Bullock retired from full-time status with the Evangelism Division, but continues to work part time as a Consultant. Some of his responsibilities include Executive Director of the Lay Witness Foundation and staff liaison with Lay Renewal. His voice mail is Extension 562.

EVANGELISM STRATEGIES -In July of 1997 we produced a new three volume set of training videos which accompany Darrell Robinson's third edition book Total Church Life. This is an excellent tool for developing a church vision which focuses on reaching people with the Gospel. We also offer a seminar entitled "Developing a Strategy For Evangelism In the Local Church". We are encouraging churches and associations to develop joint mission partnerships and crossover events to strengthen evangelism in selected local areas Reaching the Cities, Towns and Villages is a strategy we have created to identify one or more people in every post office community who will lead a nucleus group of people in their respective areas in a mission of acquainting every person in their locale with the plan of salvation. Through computer technology, we now have the capability of supplying a church with a map of their community with designations indicating where church members, visitors and in-active residents are located.

MASS EVANGELISM, through the ministry of vocational and bi-vocational evangelists, has increased in 1997. We provide a training and fellowship conference annually for our N.C. vocational evangelists . Another aspect of mass evangelism relates to our large tent. Numerous associations and churches working in cooperative endeavors use this tent each year for mass evangelism events. In 1998 we will produce an attractive color booklet to help present the Gospel to some of the 25 million tourists who visit N.C. each year. As a part of CJ 2000 Baptist associations are encouraged to begin establishing plans now for area wide evangelistic crusades in 1999

INTERFAITH WITNESS -With the fast growing international population of our state and nation, tremendous needs exist for helping Christians understand the spurious beliefs of non-christian religious groups. This aspect of evangelism is rapidly becoming most important. Our division offers training in interfaith witnessing which can enable Christians to know how to share the Gospel with sincere religious people who have unknowingly been deceived. In addition, we maintain a list of specialists who have been certified to lead interfaith witnessing conferences in churches.

Milton A. Hollifield, Jr., Division Director

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONAL YOUTH COUNCIL

The Youth Council of Ashe Baptist Association has been very busy this year. The team had a great desire in allowing God to lead in ways to meet the spiritual needs of the youth in Ashe County.

The team felt that having a training session for youth leaders in our associational churches would be very beneficial. On Saturday, March 15th, several seminar leaders from our state convention cam to Laurel Springs Baptist Church in Deep Gap. Our association, in conjunction with the Three Forks Association of Watauga County and the Brushy Mountain Association of Wilkes County came together for training. The seminars consisted of Youth Ministry 101, How to Reach Kids, Crisis Counseling, Ministering the Family and Recreation. The training seminar was very refreshing and encouraging. Many left that day excited about what youth leaders could take home to the local church youth.

Next, May 16th and 17th, the Youth Council sponsored a lock-in, "Spiritual Awakening," which was held at the Ashe Baptist Associational Campground.

The "Crossroads Crusade" had been in the planning stages for several months when Rev. Clayton King agreed to come as the evangelist for three consecutive night, July 19th, 20th and 21st. A Vision Rally was held prior to the crusade. On June 6th, our sister church, Friendly Grove, hosted the rally with Rev. Neil Hatfield of Uplands Reach Conference Center in Wilkes County as guest speaker. Approximately 300 attended the rally!

The crusade was held at Beaver Creek High School beginning on Friday night with Psalty and Friends. Saturday night at 6:00 p.m., pizza was served. We heard inspiring testimonies from Cara Lynn Croom, from our State Missions office in Cary, NC; Ashe County native Lori Calloway; and Mickey Marvin who played for the Oakland Raiders of the National Football League.

Sixty-four decisions were made during the Crusade. Twenty-two were professions of faith while others ranged from rededications to a call into the ministry of the gospel. It is fitting that we should praise Him!

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The Youth Council would like to thank all of those who served on various committees. Their hard work and dedication made the crusade possible. A special thank you to those who contributed financially. They are as follows:

Ashe Baptist Association	$1200
Bald Mountain	500
Beaver Creek	50
Buffalo	100
Joyce Grubb	75
Healing Springs	200
Jefferson Rent All	127
Liberty Grove	200
Maynard & Wrenn Mangum	25
Midway	500
Mission Home	300
New River	100
Obids	200
Parish of the Holy Communion	150
Phoenix	400
Smethport	200
South Fork	100
Tuckerdale	100

Love offerings were received after each service and totaled $1,416.00. The Youth Council truly appreciates all the prayers of our churches. May God be praised for all He has done!

Please continue to pray for the Youth Council as we seek direction, discernment and God's will as we attempt to meet the needs of our youth.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Furches, Chairman

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Missions Committee would have liked to have submitted a name for consideration for the new Missions Director in our Association. The fact that a name is not submitted doesn't mean that your committee hasn't been diligent and hard at work. As a matter of fact, we have given a great deal of time to prayer, resume reading, discussion, meetings and overall consideration to the task of recommending a new Director of Missions.

We have tried to work with all our churches and the committees which will be involved in the hiring or our director. We have met with the Budget and Finance Committee, as well as the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Dr. Bill McKinney has given a report on the findings of his visits with our churches. Following is his findings as reported at the April Executive Committee meeting. He has spoken with 40 of the 46 churches in the Association. He stated that he was impressed with the prayers of the churches, that they want to band together. The main three things wanted in a Mission Director are: Ministering and caring for people, helping churches reach out to the lost and churches on mission. He also stated that most churches have a preference for the King James version of the Bible but do not insist on all the churches using it. Churches are only responsible to God and they want the churches to be answerable to God only through the scripture. We need a peace maker. 1 Timothy 3 had all the qualifications of what the Lord had on his mind as He walked Calvary. That was unity. Also John 17, we need to come together. There is one gospel, only one. We need to forget about differences and celebrate things in Christ.

The Missions Committee must share with any potential Missions Director the problems we are facing with disunity in our Association. We feel there needs to be a resolve concerning the authority question we are going to expect the Missions Director to carry out. The age old question is still, do I do missions or police the churches? It

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can't be both ways. Our new Director will want a clear answer in our expectations of his duties.

The Missions Committee feels we need, as an Association, to change our Constitution and By-laws to some extent, or if we choose to leave as is, let our potential Director be aware of his duties in regard to authority. This committee is not campaigning one way or the other, but we do need an answer from this body on this subject.

Yours in Christ,

Your Missions Committee
Respectfully submitted
for adoption

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE

The Christian League is a voluntary organization composed of Christians and concerned citizens brought together to oppose those destructive influences in society which contribute to the low level of public morality existing today. The League is dedicated to strengthening laws against gambling, alcohol, drugs and commercialized vice in its many forms while emphasizing the basic importance of spiritual and moral values to the development and growth of the individual, the community and the nation as a whole.

Beverage alcohol is today the primary agent in the destruction of homes and family life. The alcohol industry promotes juvenile delinquency, vice crime, and is a leading cause of child abuse and highway accidents. Statistics indicate that 400,000 deaths yearly directly related the consumption of alcohol. Medical and legal experts describe alcohol as a "gateway" drug which leads to the abuse of more deadly drugs such as cocaine. The abuse of drugs among the twelve to twenty-year-old age group is now reaching epidemic proportions. The leading cause of death among adolescents is alcohol related accidents. Alcohol related injuries are exacting a heavy financial burden on the American taxpayer while the cost in human terms is incalculable. For all these reasons, the league strongly opposes all efforts to legalize the sale of alcoholic beverages in Ashe County.

The Christian League of Ashe County in association with the North Carolina League urges individuals and churches in Ashe County verbalize our opposition to the sale of alcohol and to the legalization of para-mutual gambling in our state. Additional goals for 1997-98 include the following:

A. To promote Christian values in our community

B. To educate the community about the destructive influences of alcohol in our community

C. To lobby against state sponsored gambling

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CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE
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D. To eliminate alcoholic advertisements from the media

To attain these goals, we need the active support of all Christians in the Ashe Baptist Association. We invite all like-minded citizens to join with us in promoting the highest standards of Christian morality in the lives of our people.

Respectfully Submitted,

Delmas Parker

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

MEDICAL MISSIONS MINISTRY OF ASHE

A group of concerned Christians began to meet last October to discuss the needs of a Medical Clinic in our county to minister to people that the Health Department was not able to help. After a great deal of research and discussion Medical Missions Ministry of Ashe was formed. We are a non-profit organization organized to minister to under-privileged people. At the present time we have limited ourselves to the Hispanic community even though we have treated a few non-Hispanic people. Since April 3, 1997 we have treated over 130 patients at four locations. This service is made possible by the medical community and churches who are concerned about the peoples of our communities.

Medical Mission Ministry has a charge of three (3) dollars per visit if they have the money; if not, the services are free. These services include an examination by a doctor, lab work, medicine and if necessary an x-ray. On special occasions we use the Medical/Dental bus from the Baptist State Convention for dental work. The bus will be back for two days on October 14 &15, 1997.

Our goal is to expand our services to help any person who does not have health insurance or is not being helped by the Health Department. It is not our intention to be in competition with the Health Department or Doctors; but to help those who cannot afford medical assistance and are ineligible for benefits from the Health Department. Also, we hope to minister to physical needs to earn the right to minister to their spiritual needs. We are concerned about the total person. It is our prayer that someday soon we can put this ministry together with an Hispanic Church.

We need your help! Please have your church to pray for this ministry and we also need your financial help to make it possible to continue.

The Board of Directors:
Lawrence Goodman
Dr. Greg Hershner

MEDICAL MISSIONS MINISTRY OF ASHE
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Ken Furches
Larry Jent
Barbara Rash
Carol Scott

Respectfully submitted,

Lawrence Goodman

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

FEASIBILITY COMMITTEE FOR HISPANIC MINISTRIES

In the October Executive Committee Meeting this committee was appointed: Lawrence Goodman, Ken Furches, Bob Neaves, Enrique (Hank) Saralegui and Debbie Fishel. The purpose of this committees is to study the possibilities of starting a Hispanic Mission or Church. After meeting with John Jones of the Baptist State Convention we decided to start a monthly Hispanic Service. With the help of John Jones we were able to find a Hispanic preacher. Rev. Padilla, and a musical group under the leadership of Americo Espinoza; we had our first services in May and will have services through October every fourth Saturday, at Bald Mountain Baptist Church beginning at 7:30 p.m.

In our first three services the interest from the Hispanic community has been good. Eleven men have responded to accept Christ as their Savior. After each service the women of Bald Mountain have furnished food for a time of fellowship.

Rev. Padilla has expressed interest in moving to our community to help start a Hispanic Church. This could be an answer to prayer. If God has provided His man for this ministry it is my prayer that we will do everything possible to follow through.

Please pray that God's Will be accomplished in this ministry.

Respectfully submitted,

Lawrence Goodman

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Are you tuckered out by your Good News Stampede VBS this year? I hope what ever VBS material you used this year, you had a wonderful Bible School experience. The reports are coming in from everywhere on what great things have happened this year. We should be proud of each and everyone who works and comes to Vacation Bible School.

Vacation Bible School is a fun-filled spiritual adventure for boys and girls as well as adults that provides concentrated Bible study and encourages real-life application. The intention of VBS is to reach people of all ages, leading them to know and respond to Jesus Christ as led by the Holy Spirit.

I wish to thank each church for their outstanding effort in Vacation Bible School this year and encourage you to plan for next summer.

Special thanks to the following VBS Associational Team Members:

Assistant VBS Director - Lisa Avery
Preschool - Alecia Giles, Nancy Watson
Children - Tina Key, Lisa Burkett, Vicky Young
Youth - Teshia Dillard
Adult - Linda Blackburn

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Dixon
Associational VBS Director

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Church	Total # Enrolled	Decisions to Accept Christ	VBS Mission Offering
Bald Mtn	225	4	$317.89
* Beaver Creek	72	No Report	
* Bethel	43	No Report	52.84
Big Flatts	44	0	102.00
Big Laurel	12	0	72.00
* Blue Ridge	19	No Report	
Bristol	138	No Report	
Buffalo	51	6	62.56
Calvary	60	0	55.00
* Clifton	70	No Report	
Fletcher	104	1	116.35
Friendly Grove	95	5	163.22
Friendship	185	6	107.00
Glendale Springs	94	No Report	
Grassy Creek	31	0	43.70
Healing Springs	66	No Report	
Landmark	130	5	202.37
Laurel Knob	31	0	
(Backyard)	30	0	
Little Helton	32	0	87.65
Midway	102	2	214.00
Mission Home	95	1	110.00
* Mt. Olive	38	No Report	
New River	92	0	175.00
* North Beaver	123	No Report	
Obids	37		55.77
* Orion	69	No Report	
* Peak Valley	12	No Report	
Phoenix	96	0	100.00
* Pine Swamp	21	No Report	
* Pleasant Home	51	No Report	

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Church	Total # Enrolled	Decisions to Accept Christ	VBS Mission Offering
Round Knob	38	1	72.06
Tuckerdale	109	0	180.00
Wagoner	26	0	56.00
Warrensville	106	3	136.00
Welcome Home	77	3	219.00
Totals	2,645 .	37	$1,298.47

*Churches that we have not received a report from but some information was collected off the church profile report. We would like to have a full report if possible.

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Bible Teaching - Reaching Ministry Report

The associational Bible Teaching - Reaching Ministry Resource team has taken on a new image and a new name. The Old ASSISTeam has been updated with the **ACTeam (Associational Consultant Team).**

Our efforts will be directed toward Direct Assistance and Personal Consultation with the churches. It is the **ACTeam's** desire to provide ideas, resources, and guidance to help our Sunday School leaders develop and implement plans or solve problems. Direct Assistance will be provided to individual churches as needs are determined. We encourage all Pastors and Sunday School Directors to call on us for assistance. Our team is well trained and very willing to help our churches expand and improve their Bible Teaching - Reaching Ministries.

This year our team has been in several churches. It is our mission to connect with all the churches. You can have an individual age group consultant or you can have the entire consulting team come to your church. It depends on what your needs and desires are.

ACTeam Members currently serving our Association are:

Director:	Mrs. Dorothy Witherspoon	982-4310
Pre-School	Mrs. Nancy Watson	877-4782
Children	Mrs. Vickie Young	384-4656
Youth	Mrs. Teshia Dillard	877-1596
	Mrs. Frances Blevins	246-6583
Adult	Rev. Lawrence Goodman	877-1550
VBS	Mrs. Dianne Dixon	982-3685

We will be doing an annual training event and our next conference will focus Toward 2000. Our Bible Teaching - Reaching Ministry theme for 1997-98 is Carry the Light' - "Follow Christ's Example". When we seriously commit to follow the example of Jesus Christ, we will discover that we are learning more about people and their needs. We must take time to know people, to meet their needs and involve them in life changing Bible Study. Bible Study changes lives! When we apply biblical truths to daily life, we are likely to follow Christ's example. Expect great things to happen in the Bible Teaching - Reaching Ministry at your church. Involve the **ACTeam** - we are here to serve you.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. Dorothy Witherspoon

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ASSOCIATIONAL DISCIPLESHIP REPORT

The associational discipleship goal in the Ashe Association is to serve as a support system for the discipling efforts of the local church. Those serving in associational discipleship leadership do so in order to encourage and assist the churches to discover discipling needs, determine strategies and methodologies to meet those needs, and make every effort to provide for the spiritual progression of the people. Therefore, the goal is to begin new discipling processes and to strengthen and support existing growth options.

Discipleship Training is strong in several of our churches and Ashe Association and as an association we have experienced substantial growth in the number of discipleship training being offered in our churches. Some of the exciting discipling opportunities offered this past year in some of our churches include Master Life and other Life courses, Experiencing God, Prayer and First Place. There are also ongoing classes for children and youth using many of the new materials now available to us. We are thankful to the churches that continue to have strong Discipleship Training in their churches as well as those churches that are just beginning. Churches that have a strong Discipleship Program excel in three major areas; Sunday School enrollment, baptisms, and giving. Discipleship Training can happen any time that best fits members schedule.

When reporting Discipleship any training or study that you do that is not reported under Sunday School or Vacation Bible School is considered Discipleship Training and should be reported as such.

If you have any questions or need assistance or further information please feel free to call me any time.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Blackburn
Associational Discipleship
Supporter

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1997 PASTORS SALARY AND RETIREMENT REPORT

Many churches are not aware that the Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention offers many financial services to pastors-both full time and bi-vocational--and also other church and association employees.

In addition to annuities and retirement programs the board offers protective services such as life insurance, disability coverage and medical plans to meet the needs of pastors, employees and their families.

With the uncertainties of the Social Security Administration concerning future benefits, it is an excellent idea for churches to help their pastors be assured of a comfortable retirement by starting an annuity for them as soon as possible. If a pastor relocates to another church, the new church can continue payments to the existing plan. Qualified participants can even make their own contributions to their plans. With matching contributions made by the State Convention and competitive interest rates paid on these accounts, they are an excellent source for increasing financial security at retirement.

The Annuity Board has been serving those that serve the Lord for nearly 80 years. For additional information about existing plans or starting a new plan, you may contact the following:

Annuity Board
of the Southern Baptist Convention
2401 Cedar Springs Rd.
PO Box 2190
Dallas TX 75221-2190

or call 1-800-262-0511

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Tom Graybeal

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James D. Goldston, III Trustee Chair
Michael C. Blackwell, President

At the sound of a car in his grandmother's carport, Jason looked out the window, and was shocked to see his mother striding toward the house.

She was angry, and Jason shouted, "Lordy, it's momma," as he ran to the back bedroom to call the police.

Just 12, years old, Jason had lived in seven foster care homes and with his grandmother on and off since his father died seven years earlier. His mother's addictions cost her custody of her only son. For whatever reason, tonight she wanted him back.

Out of control, Jason's mother broke open the door and kicked grandmother to the floor. She grabbed her by the hair and slung me around by the hair of my head, grandmother says, remembering.

Mother shouted for Jason to come out of hiding, and threatened to kill his grandmother. She grabbed a bottle, broke it, and held the jagged edge to grandma's throat, shouting that she would kill her if Jason didn't come out of hiding.

Just then Jason's aunt arrived from a house next door, and held his mother's arms until the police arrived.

Six years later, grandmother beams with pride for Jason, who overcame that tragic, traumatic start in life. Jason garnered academic, athletic and leadership honors in a steady stream at Tuscola High School in Haywood County and is starting college in August 1997 as a freshman at The Citadel.

At Tuscola, he was captain and MVP of the track and cross country teams and a conference champion, vice president for his senior class, Cadet Colonel and ROTC commander in a group of 115 cadets, in National Honor Society, in the top 10 percent of his class, attended leadership events at Western Carolina University and Washington, D.C., and was a peer helper and peer counselor.

At The Citadel he will study political science with a minor in military history and international affairs. He wants a military career as a fighter pilot, then to enter politics after retirement.

Jason credits Broyhill Home, his home since that traumatic

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night in his grandma's house.

"All the accomplishments of my life have been made possible by Baptist Children's Homes," Jason said at his final awards banquet at Broyhill Home, where he received top honors for the second year.

"Broyhill has made me into a young man with a future, who knows now where he is going and what he wants to do. They've opened the doors to enable me to do that."

As for grandmother, who was desperate to find a place for Jason after the incident in her house, she prays "every night and I thank God every night that we have a place like Broyhill Home and Baptist Children's Homes."

Jason's story is repeated hundreds of times each year at Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina. Not all are as dramatic but every one tells of a young person and a family at the end of an unraveling rope, and of BCH tying a knot in that rope and helping them to hold on.

At four residential campuses, six emergency care cottages, two homes for behaviorally troubled girls, a maternity home, a home for teenage mothers and their babies, therapeutic camping and model day care, 1,398 young people found help in troubled times last year.

During the past year BCH received $1.5 million through the Cooperative Program, and $724,000 through the Thanksgiving Offering. Total church gifts of $3.05 million comprised 25 percent of the BCH budget.

In June 1997 BCH successfully completed the $10.1 million "Light Their Way" Campaign to raise money for operations, capital needs and endowment. Two major priorities of the campaign will be completed in early 1998; the Winifred Lindsay Education/Administrative Center at Odum Home in Pembroke, and the John D. and Amelia W. Johnson Cottage at Mills Home. A third priority, the Hubert M. Craig Lodge at Cameron Boys Camp, has been completed.

A new video, "Families Under Construction" is available to promote the 1997 Thanksgiving offering, which has a statewide goal of $750,000, the largest ever.

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A model program for family preservation has been initiated at Mills Home in Thomasville. Two social workers are on staff to work intensively with families which are at risk of being separated, but who, with help, can overcome their issues and stay together.

Thomasville Area Director Bill Scarlett also is initiating ways for churches and their members to be directly involved on campus, from tutoring, to cooking, to spending early evenings giving personal attention to residents to free staff for more intensive counseling.

Baptist Children's Homes work was featured in November on "The 700 Club" and in December on CNN. BCH also adopted a missions statement this year, which is "helping hurting children healing broken families."

Wherever children are hurting and families are strained, BCH strives to heal.

Meeting the Challenges of Health Care

1997

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HOSPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

Since opening its doors in 1923, The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated has remained fully committed to the purpose of carrying out a ministry of healing as taught by Jesus Christ. It is this Christ-like spirit that has led patients such as Helen Keller to write: "When I was coming out from under surgery, they treated me with fine love, and I could feel it. I have been in places where it didn't matter how many times you pressed the call button, you would just lie there and wait, but the nurses at Baptist Hospital always came right away. If I ever have to go back to a hospital, this is where I would come."

Baptist Benevolent Care Fund

Baptist Churches from all across North Carolina joined us in mutual mission through the Mother's Day Offering. This annual ingathering of love was approved by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina in 1924. In 1996 the MDO amounted to $456,497.. It was used exclusively to help patients who had little or no health care insurance or other financial means to pay their hospital bills. From this past year's offering, over $200,000 was used to assist members of our Bapt ist Churches. May God bless all those who gave so generously.

Division of Pastoral Care

During the year the Chaplains and Staff of the Pastoral Care Department provide worship services in Davis Chapel on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday for patients and family members. The Pastoral Care Department staff supervised 65 students during the year. They made more than 50,000 ministry contacts, an increase of 10% over the previous year.

The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated

The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated
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CareNet, Inc. continues to grow. There are now 13 counseling centers located in strategic areas across the state. During the year these centers will provide over 26,000 hours of counseling.

The Center for Congregational Health, Inc., continues to expand its assistance to ministers and churches. Programs and assistance offered to churches include Consultants and Intentional Interims working with churches as they face the challenges of today. The Young Leader's Program helps in leadership development, and the Clergy Wellness Program, Turning Point, is designed to foster a holistic growth-approach to the individual rminister's life calling.

Points of Emphasis and Progress

J. PAUL STICHT CENTER - In April the J. Paul Sticht Center on Aging and Rehabilitation opened the doors of a new 240,000 square foot state-of-the-arts building. Here services are provided to older adults. These services include a geriatric assessment clinic, Acute Care for the Elderly clinic, Alzheimer's disease and memory disorders clinic, osteoporosis clinic, geriatric gynecology clinic, a women's health center, education services, and a legal clinic for seniors. It houses a true "Day Hospital" for seniors - the first in the state - which provides therapy, exarninations and rehabilitation as day-time treatment, eliminating costly overnight stays.

COMPREHAB - On November 4, 1996, the doors were opened to The Medical Center's new CompRehab Center. The 70,000 square-foot building houses a full spectrum of physical rehabilitation and related clinical services, including a Sports MedicineCenter, Foot and Ankle Center, The Hand Center, Outpatient Physical Therapy Center, Spine Center, and the Neurorehabilitation Center.

TRAUMA CENTER - The Medical Center has the only designated Level I trauma center in Northwest North Carolina. In the trauma center our goal is for the patient to be in an operating room 10 minutes after arriving at the Emergency Department. Surgeons, anesthesiologists and staff remain on duty 24 hours a day to handle such emergencies.

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TOPS IN RESEARCH - According to a report in the February issue of Applied Clinical Trials, Bowman Gray School of Medicine ranked in the top 10 U.S. clinical research institutions.

QUALCHOICE - Established by The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated, The Bowman Gray School of Medicine, and Wake Forest University, this managed care plan provides quality health care and patient physician choice. QualChoice is now able to offer coverage to ministers and church staffs.

WEB SITE - You can learn more about The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated by checking us out on our Web site at: http://www.bgsm.edu. Here you can find helpful information about nutrition, research, and the division of Pastoral Care.

HEALTH ON-CALL-Need a physician or answers to questions about health topics? Dial (800) 446-2255. A registered nurse will take your call and help you select the right physician, answer your questions, provide information or mail printed material to you.

SWITCHBOARD - Assistance and information can be obtained by contacting one of our helpful and courteous switchboard operators at (910) 716-2011.

A CLOSING WORD

In the midst of changing health-care nortns, we will not deviate from the mission entrusted to us by the Baptist people of North Carolina. We stand fully committed to excellence and compassion, and remain visionary as we face the demands of the health care market. Under the providence of God, we will continue to find the ways and means to be successful without compromise.

Respectfully submitted,

Len B. Preslar, Jr.
President

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The North Carolina Missions Offering in the Ashe Association

Most of the North Carolina Missions Offering supports projects in the 80 associations (covering all 100 counties) across North Carolina. Many North Carolina Missions Offering projects are actually assodation/state missions programs receiving money and leadership support from both the Baptist State Convention and local associations.

For example, the Ashe Association received approximately 10 percent of the 1996 special offering collected in the association. Last year (1996), $696.07 of the $7,030.46 collected from 13 of the associations 48 churches and missions was sent back to the association.

In addition to the money sent directly to the association, other offering monies were used in 1996 to finance mission projects in the associations. If the Ashe Association received additional monies, they were disbursed as listed below:

In 1996, the North Carolina Missions Offering also supported NC Woman's Missionary Union, NC Baptist Men (Brotherhood), and many of the Missions Division's vital ministries. The number of individuals in the Ashe Association who participated in these groups in 1996 includes:

8 Girls to GA Camp at Mundo Vista

The North Carolina Missions Offering in the Ashe Association (continued)

Churches giving to the 1996 special offering:

ASHE

Blue Ridge	New River
Buffalo	Old Fields
Friendship	Pleasant Home
Glendale Springs	Trinity
Healing Springs	Wagoner
Midway	Welcome Home

*Missionary Kids and Retired Missionaries receive birth day and Christmas gifts from WMU.

Note: Information supplied by participating areas of work.

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Annuity Board Report to the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina

The Southern Baptist Convention has given three ministry assignments to the Annuity Board: *Management of Retirement Annuities, Relief for Ministers and Their Widows, and Insurance and Risk Management Programs*. Our motto is ***Serving Those Who Serve the Lord***. We've been doing it since 1918.

Retirement preparation is a career-long endeavor. It requires a commitment by the participant and the employer. The money contributed is invested according to individual participant goals and risk tolerance. Then, at retirement, each participant chooses from a variety of benefit options. In 1996, the Annuity Board paid more than $200 million in benefits, and at Dec. 31, there were 27,865 on the retirement benefit roles.

Relief benefits totaled $1.51 million last year. In addition, at year end we were paying an extra $50 each month to 2,124 individuals or couples through the Adopt An Annuitant Program. Relief benefits were funded by the Cooperative Program ($1.19 million) and from earnings on the Retired Ministers' Support Fund of the Annuity Board. Adopt An Annuitant benefits are funded by direct gifts to the Board from interested individuals, Sunday School classes or other groups.

Insurance benefits paid in 1996 for life, health, accident and disability claims totaled $107.8 million.

In 1996, trustees of the Annuity Board adopted a resolution, "That no retired minister or his widow should live in poverty." To fulfill that promise, some $12 million will be required in the period 1997-1999. Many retired ministers and widows of ministers do not have adequate financial resources to meet their needs. The Annuity Board cares deeply about these people, and Southern Baptists care, as demonstrated by gifts to the Cooperative Program and Adopt An Annuitant.

Relief will always be a vital part of the Annuity Board's work, but we are committed to promoting proper planning and preparation for retirement and protection from disasters. To that end, the Annuity Board offers a wide range of products and services fo Southern Baptist churches, associations, institutions, state conventions and their personnel.

The Church Annuity Plan is the retirement plan designed for pastors, other ministers and eligible employees. It is administered by the Annuity Board partnership with state conventions.

The Personal Security Program and Employer Security Program offer a variety of insurance plans. They include term life, personal accident, disability and a choice of medical plans.

No Cooperative Program money is used for Annuity Board operating expenses.

Baptist State Convention of North Carolina Statistics As of June 1997:

Number of active participants in the Church Annuity Plan: **3,970**

Percentage of churches active in the Church Annuity Plan: **60%**

Number of persons receiving retirement benefits: **2,637**

Number helped by the Adopt An Annuitant and Relief ministries: **364**

If you want more information about Annuity Board products and services, call us toll-free at **1-800-262-0511, or call your Baptist state annuity representative**. We want to serve you.

Annuity Board of the
Southern Baptist Convention
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July 16, 1997

Christian Action League of North Carolina, Inc. ANNUAL REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS- 1997

According to Dr. James Kennedy of Coral Ridge Ministries, approximately 6 million crimes are committed in the United States annually. Murder arrests of teens are up 92% since 1985; the number of 13-to 15-year-olds arrested for murder nearly doubled between 1982 and 1992; 1.6 million cars are stolen each year; America spends $39 billion a year on police protection, $29 billion on prisons and $10 billion on legal andjudicial costs for criminal cases; drunk drivers cost us $110 billion a year, and drug abuse costs $40 billion a year. With these alarming statistics, the Christian Action League of North Carolina is constantly working to restore moral and biblical principles to our state and nation through the legislative process and the public education system and by assisting communities in our state with local battles for civic and moral righteousness.

A. Christian Values

It was the pleasure of the Christian Action League to sponsor the Second Annual Christian Heritage Week In North Carolina, March 16-22. The League encouraged schools, churches and communities to recognize, commemorate and learn about the Christian heritage and history of our nation. We mailed infon-nation about a League sponsored essay contest to be written on America's Christian Heritage to all high schools (public and private) in the state and hosted an awards ceremony and banquet for the top three state winners of that contest in Raleigh.

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Lobbied for and promoted SB 442, The American History Act. A bill that would allow public school teachers to read or display historical documents even though they contain religious references. This bill passed the House and is now in a conference committee.

The League continued in 1997 to participate in a project with the American Rights Coalition to distribute copies of the Ten Commandments throughout North Carolina. To date, we have distributed approximately 10,000 copies of these prints.

Promoted Sanctity of Human Life Sunday in our January newsletter that reaches over 22,000 people.

Offered copies of Dr. Billy Graham's speech to the May 5, 1997, Joint Session of the General Assembly on audio cassette through our newsletter. Dr. Graham was being honored for his tremendous worldwide contributions to religion, morality, racial equality and family.

Promoted and worked for the passage of HB 511, Evolution Not Taught as Fact.

B. Lottery
Lottery proponents felt this was the year to bring a state-sponsored lottery to North Carolina. The League, through letters, e-mail and faxes, kept its members updated on lottery information and encouraged its members to contact their legislators. The lawmakers received a

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barrage of letters and calls from across the state saying that the lottery was a bad bet for North Carolina. The League will continue to monitor this issue as the session nears an end, but as of today, the lottery seems to have been defeated for another session.

C. Sex Education
Worked with other Christian and conservative groups to see that the Federal mandate for Abstinence Until Marriage education was implemented in this state.

D. Abortion
The League lobbied for and encouraged its members through Legislative Alerts to write in support of HB 303 and SB 536 (Ban Partial Birth Abortion). HB 594 (Fetus Death from Criminal Act) and HB 536 (Abortion/ Woman's Right to Know). We offered the video Reversing Roe" through our newsletter. This video tells the story of Norma McCorvey of the infamous Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court case who after 25-years and 35 million aborted babies tells of her transformation from an abortion industry pawn to a pro-life Christian.

E. Homosexuality
Offered the powerful and emotional video of Michael Johnston "On Wings Like Eagles". This video tells of Michael's 11 years in the homosexual lifestyle and his struccle between right and wrong and about forgiveness and grace. Michael is founder of Kerusso Ministries, an organization to help others struggling with this sin.

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F. Alcohol

Worked with communities in helping them set up an organization to combat liquor referenda. Lobbied against SB 838 (ABC Tourism Resorts Permits); SB 837 (Sports Club ABC Permits) and SB 447 (Lumberton Economic Development District), bills that allowed alcohol sales without the vote of local citizens. Encouraged our members to call and write legislators to ask them to vote against these bills.

G. Pornography

Lobbied for SB 452 (Local Regulation of Adult Establishments) and notified our members to contact their legislators and encourage them to vote for this legislation that would give local governments more control in regulating these establishments.

Respectfully Submitted,

Johnny R. Henderson,
Executive Director

Joe S. Lennon, President

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc.
1996 Annual Report

The mission of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation since its inception in 1920 has been to assist the Convention and its institutions, and agencies in generating endowment to enhance their permanent financial. support. The uniqueness of the ministries and services provided by the institutions and General Board staff merits increased individual collective financial support The Baptist Foundation is committed to assisting individual church members through creative stewardship methods to provide permanent financial undergirding of these ministries.

As of December 31, 1996, the Foundation held $60,892,220 under management. In 1996, $2,600,680 was distributed to Baptist'work and $1,259,082 was distributed to individuals for a total distribution of $3,859,762.

The income distributions for the entire 77-year history of the N. C. Baptist Foundation totals: $10,932,764 income paid to individuals and $16,059,259 to Baptist churches, institutions and mission causes for a grand historical total of $26,992,023.

Richard D. Laws,
Chairman of the Board

Ralph W. Dixon, Jr.,
Executive Director

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS REPORT

The Ashe Baptist Association Executive Committee held its regular meetings this year. There were no special meetings called.

The October meeting was held at North Beaver Baptist Church on Thursday, October 3, 1996. Mr. Charles King, Moderator, opened the meeting and thanked everyone for the support the Association had given him during his tenure as moderator. He then yielded the position of moderator, to Rev. Steve Witherspoon, who had been elected as vice-moderator.

Reports from Clerk/Treasurer, Mrs.Linda Blevins, were read and approved. The roll call of the churches revealed 17 churches present.

A committee for studying the feasibility of an Hispanic Mission in the Association was elected at this meeting. Dedications for the 1996 minute books were voted on. Advance permission was given to the Nominating Committee to fill all vacancies in the Association. Rev. Bill McKinney gave a brief report of his work.

Our January meeting was held at Friendship Baptist Church on Thursday, January 2,1997 at 7:00 PM. Usual reports were read and approved. The roll call of churches revealed 22 churches represented.

Rev. Rick Comejo , new Pastor of Pleasant Home Baptist Church, was welcomed into our association. Rev. Lawrence Goodman gave a report on the Hispanic

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Mission. Dr. Bill McKinney reported on his work to date. Letters were read from Riverview Baptist Church and Sturgill's Baptist Church indicating their desire to withdraw from the Association. These requests were honored. Several testimonies were shared of how God is working in our churches. Praise Him!! This meeting was adjourned with altar prayer.

Healing Springs Baptist Church hosted the April Executive Meeting on Thursday, April 3,1997 at 7:00 PM. The customary reports were read and approved. The roll call of churches indicated 12 churches were in attendance.

Dr. McKinney gave a report on his work to date. He had spoken with 40 of the 46 churches. He stressed a need for unity and love, Dorothy Witherspoon gave a report for the tassions committee in regards to their search for a Director of Missions. Mr. Larry Denny from the Helping Hands Ministry gave report of their work and urged churches to get involved.

Members of the Executive Committee met at Buffalo Baptist Church, on Thursday, July 3, 1997 at 7:00 PM. Mrs. Linda Blevins read the minutes of previous meeting and the treasurer's report, These were approved. Rev. Jimmy Warden gave a nominating committee report. Rev. Lawrence Goodman gave a report on the Hispanic Mission which is doing very wall with several decisions being made to follow Christ. The Constitu

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tion and By-Laws Committee's Report was read by Rev. Larry Powers. A copy of the suggested By-Law changes from the Mission committee was passed out. A discussion was held concerning the search for a Director of Missions. It was agreed to hold prayer services at Weicorm Home Baptist Church the following week to pray specifically for the Search Committee and for the person God has in mind for our Association.

As moderator I have served with the hffissions Committee seeking God's person for this Association as Director. It is an arduous task and we have been faithfully serving the association and seeking God'sMit in the matter. While vm realize it is difficult to keep things on track without a director , it would be more disastrous to run ahead of God and place the wrong person in this important job.

It is our prayer that the Association will pull together, that we will seek the Mind of Christ together and that we will listen for His voice together. Jesus High Priestly Prayer for us 'in John 17 says it is His desire that we all be one; even as the Father and He are one, so that the world will believe in Him. We must remember that we are a witness to the world around us. We can either be a positive witness for Christ or we will be a negative witness against Him. Every Dart of this larger body of Christ in Ashe County, the Ashe Baptist Association, is very important to God and absolutely vital to His Kingdom's work here, Let us be as Christ desires, One in Him,

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focusing on Him and His work, not our differences.
It has been a joy to serve as the moderator this past year. We have had sorm wonderful things happening and I look forward to a very productive year in 1997-98.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Steve Witherspoon,
Moderator

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION
FRIENDLY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Friday Afternoon, August 15, 1997

2:00	**CALLED TO ORDER & PRAYER**	Moderator, Rev. Steve Witherspoon Thanked churches for hosting the meetings.
	"I Stand Amazed in the Presence"	Congregation, Rev. Wade Ivey
	Welcome/Devotion (2 Chronicles 7:14)	Rev. Jay T. Jones Pastor, Friendly Grove Baptist Ch.
2:10	**ORGANIZATION**	
	Rules of Order Seating of Messengers	Moderator, Rev. Steve Witherspoon
	Adoption of Order of Business-	Motion by Rev. David Blackburn, Seconded by Mr. Jack McGrady
	Recognition of Visitors	
	Recognition of New Pastors -	Rev. Ken Lawrence at Wagner, Rev. Jay T. Jones at Friendly Grove, Rev. Rick Cornejo at Pleasant Home, Rev. Johnny Huffman at Grassy Creek and Rev. Ken Furches at Mission Home.
	Committee Appointments	
2:20	**ROLL CALL OF THE CHURCHES** by Associational Clerk, Mrs. Linda Blevins The following 35 churches were represented: Bald Mountain, Beaver Creek, Bethel, Big Flatts, Blue Ridge, Buffalo, Calvary, Clifton, Farmer Memorial, Fletcher Memorial, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Glendale Springs, Grassy Creek, Healing Springs, Landmark, Laurel Knob, Liberty Grove, Midway, Mission Home, Mount Olive, New River, North Beaver, Oak Hill, Obids, Old Fields, Orion, Phoenix, Pleasant Home, Round Knob, Trinity, Tuckerdale, Wagoner, Warrensville and Welcome Home.	
	History of Friendly Grove Baptist Church by	Mrs. Peggy Harless
	"Blessed Assurance"	Congregation, Rev. Wade Ivey
	Moderator appointed Charles King Parliamentarian.	Thanked Mrs. Linda Blevins for her work in the Association office.
2:30	**REPORTS** from Institutions, Agencies and Missions (10 minutes each)	
	Baptist Retirement Homes	Rev. Luther Osment
	N.C. Baptist Hospital	Dr. James Murphy
	Gardner-Webb University	Mrs. Mickie Norman
	Campbell University	Rev. Bill Ballou
	State Missions	Mr. Doug Rollins
3:15	"Standing on the Promises"	Congregation, Rev. Wade Ivey

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3:20	**MESSAGE** (Romans 13:11-14)	Rev. Mike Hamby
	Baptist Children's Homes	Mr. Warren Steen
3:50	**ASSOCIATIONAL REPORTS** (5 minutes each)	
	Youth Council Report	Rev. Ken Furches
	Executive Committee	Rev. Steve Witherspoon
	Associational Treasurer's Report	Rev. Steve Witherspoon

Motion by Mr. Bill Gentry, Mission Home, to accept report as printed in program, seconded by Mr. Freddie Walters, Friendship. Motion carries.

Presentation of 1997-98 Budget	Mrs. Melissa Goodman
Vacation Bible School	Mrs. Diane Dixon

4:15	"Power in the Blood"	Congregation, Rev. Wade Ivey
4:20	"Beulah Land"	Rev. Wade Ivey
	Prayer	Rev. Gary Watson
4:30	**Annual Message** (Gal. 2:20-21) (Closed with prayer)	Rev. Jimmy Warden Pastor, New River Baptist

Motion was made to allow Mr. Delmas Parker to give his report by suspending rules of order by Rev. Wade Ivey and seconded by Rev. Larry Powers. Motion carried.

4:50	Christian Action League Report	Mr. Delmas Parker
5:10	Motion to adjourn for evening meal by Mr. George Swann and seconded by Rev. Wade Ivey. Meeting adjourned.	
	Blessing	Rev. Jay T. Jones Pastor, Friendly Grove Baptist Church
7:00	Reconvened meeting with prayer.	Rev. Steve Witherspoon, Moderator
	"There is a Name I Love to Hear"	Congregational Hymn, Rev. Wade Ivey
	SCRIPTURE AND PRAYER Psalm 150	Rev. Jim Goss Pastor, Farmer Memorial Baptist Ch.
	"We Shall Meet" & "Beulah Land"	Rev. Jim & Cassandra Goss

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7:30	**MISSION SERMON** (Matt. 9:35-38) (Opened with prayer)	Rev. Jim Rash Pastor, Laurel Knob Church
	Missions Reports	
	Ukraine-slide presentation	Rev. Jim Rash
	Ukraine-testimony	Ms. Anna Goodman
	South Africa	Mrs. Carolyn Miller
	Home Mission-Cherokee	Ms. Joyce Grubb
8:35	**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**	
	Constitution and By-Laws Committee	Rev. Larry Powers

Will bring as a motion by the Committee to make the following changes to the Constitution. On page 113 of the 1996-97 Minute Book, Article I, Section 1: to change the name from Ashe Baptist Association to Ashe Missionary Baptist Association; and in Section 2: change wording to read Missionary Baptist Denomination instead of just Baptist Denomination.

8:45 Missions Committee — Rev. Jimmy Warden, Chairman
(Gave copies of the following recommended changes to everyone present)

Missions Committee Recommended Changes to Constitution and By-Laws

The following deletions, changes and additions to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Ashe Baptist Association. are recommended by the Missions Committee. These suggestions are made after much prayer and consideration of the reports given to Dr. Bill McKinney by the Ashe Baptist Associational Churches. It is our prayer and desire to see the churches united in love, mutual respect, and seeking to promote missions and evangelism.

* **Constitution and By-Laws Preamble** (page 114) **Change to** - For the purpose of preserving, propagating, and making articulate the principles of our faith and for the purpose of preserving the liberties inherent in each individual church,'and in order to set forth the relationship of this body to other Southern Baptist bodies, we do adopt and establish this Constitution.

* **Article I - Name and Membership - Section 2** (page 114) **Change to** - This Association shall consist of all cooperating Southern Baptist Churches in Ashe County, and communities closely adjacent thereto, of like faith and practice as expressed in the ARTICI'ES OF FAITH (The Baptist Faith and Message as adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1963). **This change was suggested by Dr. McKinney to reference the 1963 Baptist Faith and Message.**

* **Article I - Name and Membership, Section 4** (page 114) Recommend deleting Section 4 in its entirety.

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* **Article II - Purpose** (page 115)
(This will be our new Mission Statement)

"The Ashe Baptist Association shall be an organized effort to unite cooperating churches in devising and promoting special emphasis and programs. It shall provide support, leadership and opportunity for member churches to be in fellowship and on mission fulfilling God's plan and purpose for their existence. This shall be done both individually and together in cooperation with the North Carolina State Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention."

Statement of Mission (Purpose)
Job Description for Associational Missionary

(Mission Statement)

The Ashe Baptist Association shall be an organized effort to unite cooperating churches in devising and promoting special emphasis and programs. It shall provide support, leadership and opportunity for member churches to be in fellowship and on mission fulfilling God's plan and purpose for their existence. This shall be done both individually and together in cooperation with the North Carolina Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

Major target areas or objectives for Associational Missionary

Strengthen Program Organizations

Promote evangelism and church growth through total church organizations. Provide needed helps to enable churches to become better equipped in areas of church ministry.

Promote Missions

Encourage and lead in mission commitment of member churches utilizing Bold Mission Thrust Plans, by creating awareness to mission opportunities, new work, and by assisting in the development of church mission development programs, church extension, language missions, Christian social ministries, chaplaincy ministries, interfaith witness and special mission ministries.

Give high priority to reaching the many unreached Hispanics through existing churches and in new work.

Develop Leadership

Encourage and provide support for development and improvement in areas of church, ministry, dealing with crisis times, leadership, and supervision skills, etc. Approaches will include family ministry, seminary extensions, workshops and conferences for church secretaries, church clerks (Uniform Church Letter), non-salaried and salaried leaders, music workshops, pastors'

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retreats, and ethnic leadership development.

Nurture Fellowship

Nurture fellowship among member churches.

9:00	"Lily of the Valley"	Congregational Hymn Rev. Wade Ivey
9:05	Benediction	Rev. Jay T. Jones Pastor, Friendly Grove Baptist Church

Mr. Bill Gentry made a motion to adjourn. Rev. David Lambert seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned until 9:00 a.m. at Pleasant Home Baptist Church.

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PLEASANT HOME BAPTIST CHURCH
Saturday Morning, August 16, 1997

9:00	**CALLED TO ORDER & PRAYER**	Rev. Steve Witherspoon, Moderator
	"Jesus Saves"	Congregation, Mr. Dewey Campbell
	Welcome and Devotion (II Chr. 7:14)	Rev. Rick Cornejo Pastor, Pleasant Home Baptist Ch.

9:15 **REPORTS** from Local Organizational Heads (5 minutes each per Rule of Order)

Ashe Crisis Pregnancy Center	Mrs. Dorothy Witherspoon
Discipleship Training	Mrs. Linda Blackburn
Church Music	Rev. Steve Witherspoon
Feasibility Committee for Hispanic Ministries	Rev. Lawrence Goodman
Medical Missions	Rev. Lawrence Goodman
Sunday School	Mrs. Dorothy Witherspoon

10:15 **BUSINESS SESSION**

Adoption of Associational Budget: Motion to accept after making a date correction. Motion carries.

Motion by Rev. Lawrence Goodman to amend the budget to include support for the Hispanic Church. Motion seconded by Rev. Jay T. Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

Election of Organizational Leaders and Committees: Nominating Committee proposed that we suspend the rules regarding the 3-year limitation. Motion was made by Rev. Lawrence Goodman to allow all committee members to serve one more year. Motion was seconded by Rev. Gary Watson. Motion carries.

10:40 **ROLL CALL OF THE CHURCHES** by Associational Clerk, Mrs. Linda Blevins

The following 31 churches were represented: Bald Mountain, Beaver Creek, Bethel, Big Flatts, Blue Ridge, Bristol, Buffalo, Calvary, Clifton, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Glendale Springs, Grassy Creek, Landmark, Laurel Knob, Midway, Mission Home, Mount Olive, New River, North Beaver, Oak Hill, Obids, Old Fields, Orion, Pine Swamp, Pleasant Home, Round Knob, Tuckerdale, Wagoner, Warrensville and Welcome Home.

History of Pleasant Home Baptist Church by	Mr. Don Smith
Congregational Hymn	Mr. Dewey Campbell

10:50 **MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT** Rev. Jimmy Warden

(stated that the report of recommended changes that was passed out at yesterday's meeting was not a proposal or a motion. The Committee will share all the reports that Dr. McKinney wrote after the names of the churches and persons making comments are deleted from each report.)

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Rev. Lawrence Goodman made a motion to accept the Missions Committee's report and also to allow the Search Committee to hire a full-time interim Director of Missions. Following this motion was a lengthy discussion. A motion to amend the motion on the floor was made by Rev. Rick Cornejo and seconded by Allen Neaves to divide the motion into two parts for a vote. This motion carries. Following this motion, there is more discussion. Concerning part one of the above motion, a motion was made by Rev. Ervel Jones to table further discussion on these matter until a special meeting of the Association can be called. Mr. Fred Walters seconded this motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Concerning the second part of the above motion, a motion was made to bring the question of the interim DOM before the next Executive Committee meeting. Motion was made by Rev. Ervel Jones and seconded by Rev. Jimmy Warden. Motion carries unanimously.

Motion made by Rev. Lawrence Goodman to suspend rules and go directly to the special music while taking the offering for the Ukraine Mission and follow this by the Message. Seconded by Rev. Wayne Osborne. Motion carries unanimously.

11:40	"So Much to Thank Him For" "The Dearest Friend" "When the Spirit Said Come"	The Landmarks
11:55	**Message** (Philippians 2:1-11)	Rev. Jay T. Jones Pastor, Friendly Grove Baptist Church
12:35	Benediction & blessing on food	Mr. Wayne Jones

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Rev. Mike Hamby, seconded by Mr. Bill Gentry. Meeting was adjourned. Lunch was served.

Church Information Data

1. Bible School/Sunday School Information
2. Digest of Congregational Profiles
3. Discipleship Training Information
4. Financial Information
5. Member/Congregational Information
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BIBLE STUDY/SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION

ASSOCIATION
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15-TOTAL SS ENROLLMENT
a-Preschool Birth-5
b-Children 6-11
c-Youth 12-17
d-Adults 18-24
e-Adults 25-34
f-Adults 35-54

Congregation	15	15a	15b	15c	15d	15e	15f
APPLE GROVE, LANSING	41	0	8	2	1	5	20
BALD MOUNTAIN, W. JE	267	20	34	46	25	34	52
BEAVER CREEK, W JEFF	68	13	8	10	5	13	9
BETHEL, W JEFFERSON	47	3	3	8	3	1	11
BIG FLATTS, FLEETWOO	36	5	3	2	1	5	14
BIG LAUREL, WEST JEF	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLUE RIDGE, W JEFFER	18	0	0	1	0	0	8
BRISTOL, JEFFERSON	121	15	22	9	0	10	12
BUFFALO, W. JEFFERSO	90	1	3	9	6	8	30
CALVARY, W. JEFFERSO	32	4	2	2	0	1	8
CLIFTON, WARRENSVILL	71	4	5	6	10	13	18
FARMERS MEMORIAL, WH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	145	10	23	5	11	26	26
FRIENDLY GROVE, W. J	126	7	20	12	4	10	28
FRIENDSHIP, JEFFERSO	121	16	22	8	6	8	28
GLENDALE SPRINGS, GL	108	8	12	4	2	10	42
GRASSY CREEK	32	0	3	0	3	0	4
HEALING SPRINGS, CRU	59	12	2	12	2	6	3
LANDMARK BAPT, JEFFE	118	12	10	8	14	24	26
LAUREL KNOB, TODD	37	4	4	8	0	3	7
LIBERTY GROVE, DEEP	76	6	3	8	8	14	20
LITTLE HELTON, W. JE	48	1	2	8	0	8	10
MIDWAY, W. JEFFERSON	144	22	21	17	21	22	9
MISSION HOME, FLEETW	65	1	3	12	2	5	17
MOUNT OLIVE, FLEETWO	72	7	4	6	7	14	20
NEW RIVER, PINEY CRE	115	8	19	17	7	11	22
NORTH BEAVER, W. JEF	83	4	20	7	9	11	21
OAK HILL, LANSING	46	2	3	3	4	2	17
OBIDS, W. JEFFERSON	37	2	5	6	2	4	8
OLD FIELDS, FLEETWOO	57	4	2	8	4	3	9
ORION, JEFFERSON	60	4	8	6	5	8	9
PEAK VALLEY, CRESTON	37	2	3	2	2	9	7
PHOENIX, LANSING	101	11	9	20	6	9	16
PILOT MOUNTAIN, TODD	17	1	0	0	0	4	5
PINE SWAMP, W. JEFFE	38	3	4	2	0	5	12
PLEASANT HOME, GRASS	45	7	5	6	3	4	9
PLEASANT VALLEY, JEF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PROSPERITY, TRADE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROUND KNOB, W. JEFFE	47	5	4	6	1	3	12
SABBATH HOME, LANSIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
THREE FORKS, CRESTON	32	3	4	2	1	3	15
TRINITY, DEEP GAP	120	10	10	10	10	10	10
TUCKERDALE, LANSING	85	10	9	9	6	14	10
WAGONER, JEFFERSON	22	5	0	0	0	2	4
WARRENSVILLE	166	8	19	18	15	27	25
WELCOME HOME, JEFFER	103	6	13	16	7	11	20
TOTALS	3160	266	354	341	213	380	653

For 1996-97 Associational Year

g-Adults 55 & Up
h-General Officers
i-Other Bible Study
16-SS Average Weekly Attendance
17-SS Member Not Member of Congregation
18-Vacation Bible School

15g	15h	15i	16	17	18
5	0	0	30	5	0
39	7	10	161	25	240
10	0	0	48	11	72
10	8	0	55	3	34
6	0	0	22	0	46
5	2	0	4	0	10
8	1	0	12	2	19
35	18	0	92	0	138
31	2	0	65	10	54
11	4	0	35	0	50
9	6	0	65	10	70
0	0	0	0	0	0
42	2	0	75	0	103
44	1	0	69	10	95
30	3	0	112	12	187
30	2	50	80	20	94
22	0	0	19	1	31
22	0	0	47	0	66
24	0	0	95	6	104
5	6	0	20	0	23
17	0	0	61	0	30
16	3	0	33	0	46
32	0	0	90	0	108
25	0	0	51	0	92
8	6	0	40	4	38
29	2	0	80	7	85
8	3	38	57	8	123
14	1	0	30	0	0
6	4	0	25	0	27
24	3	0	47	0	77
18	2	0	49	2	69
8	4	0	24	0	12
27	3	0	55	5	102
7	0	0	16	0	0
10	2	0	38	1	21
6	5	20	40	3	51
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
10	6	0	30	0	38
0	0	0	0	0	0
4	0	12	24	0	20
10	10	40	90	0	130
24	3	0	73	4	109
3	8	15	22	2	26
25	4	25	70	25	108
28	2	0	55	6	84
747	133	210	2206	182	2832

DIGEST OF CONGREGATIONAL PROFILES

ASSOCIATION
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1-Total Membership
3-Total Baptisms
4-Other Additions
15-Total SS Enrollment
16-SS Average Attendance
18-Vacation Bible School
19+20-Total DT Enrollment/Participation
21-MM Total Enrollment

Congregation	1	3	4	15	16	18	19+20	21
APPLE GROVE, LANSING	119	0	5	41	30	0	0	0
BALD MOUNTAIN, W. JE	459	16	12	267	161	240	149	74
BEAVER CREEK, W JEFF	131	0	3	68	48	72	0	29
BETHEL, W JEFFERSON	144	0	3	47	55	34	0	12
BIG FLATTS, FLEETWOO	68	0	1	36	22	46	0	40
BIG LAUREL, WEST JEF	20	0	0	7	4	10	0	6
BLUE RIDGE, W JEFFER	50	0	0	18	12	19	0	0
BRISTOL, JEFFERSON	279	21	10	121	92	138	0	35
BUFFALO, W. JEFFERSO	105	1	0	90	65	54	9	39
CALVARY, W. JEFFERSO	146	0	12	32	35	50	20	17
CLIFTON, WARRENSVILL	276	7	3	71	65	70	0	21
FARMERS MEMORIAL, WH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	390	3	10	145	75	103	136	39
FRIENDLY GROVE, W. J	272	7	0	126	69	95	0	26
FRIENDSHIP, JEFFERSO	382	11	9	121	112	187	0	70
GLENDALE SPRINGS, GL	178	0	0	108	80	94	0	86
GRASSY CREEK	139	0	0	32	19	31	0	13
HEALING SPRINGS, CRU	194	2	1	59	47	66	5	21
LANDMARK BAPT, JEFFE	166	0	1	118	95	104	0	67
LAUREL KNOB, TODD	99	3	1	37	20	23	22	29
LIBERTY GROVE, DEEP	208	0	0	76	61	30	37	33
LITTLE HELTON, W. JE	98	1	1	48	33	46	0	0
MIDWAY, W. JEFFERSON	311	13	4	144	90	108	69	64
MISSION HOME, FLEETW	150	3	3	65	51	92	37	20
MOUNT OLIVE, FLEETWO	73	0	3	72	40	38	0	0
NEW RIVER, PINEY CRE	252	2	1	115	80	85	44	54
NORTH BEAVER, W. JEF	183	11	1	83	57	123	49	49
OAK HILL, LANSING	157	0	1	46	30	0	0	16
OBIDS, W. JEFFERSON	56	1	0	37	25	27	0	21
OLD FIELDS, FLEETWOO	97	0	1	57	47	77	27	15
ORION, JEFFERSON	171	0	6	60	49	69	0	20
PEAK VALLEY, CRESTON	22	0	0	37	24	12	0	0
PHOENIX, LANSING	164	2	2	101	55	102	59	20
PILOT MOUNTAIN, TODD	90	0	0	17	16	0	0	0
PINE SWAMP, W. JEFFE	72	1	0	38	38	21	0	0
PLEASANT HOME, GRASS	139	4	1	45	40	51	0	20
PLEASANT VALLEY, JEF	109	2	0	0	0	0	0	17
PROSPERITY, TRADE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROUND KNOB, W. JEFFE	133	0	0	47	30	38	0	0
SABBATH HOME, LANSIN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
THREE FORKS, CRESTON	103	0	0	32	24	20	0	0
TRINITY, DEEP GAP	602	13	85	120	90	130	0	75
TUCKERDALE, LANSING	164	0	0	85	73	109	0	0
WAGONER, JEFFERSON	142	4	2	22	22	26	0	13
WARRENSVILLE	300	33	30	166	70	108	0	107
WELCOME HOME, JEFFER	186	2	1	103	55	84	27	24
TOTALS	7599	163	213	3160	2206	2832	690	1192

23-WMU Total Enrollment
24-Brotherhood Total Enrollment
26+27+28-Total Receipts
29 thru 35-Total Mission Expenditures
29-Cooperative Program
30-Associational Missions
36-Value of Congregational Property
37-Congregational Debt

23	24	26+27+28	29-35	29	30	36	37
0	0	4570	130	20	50	75000	0
71	38	192558	19326	7816	240	450000	0
10	0	28238	2520	0	790	100000	0
0	0	25379	1953	53	0	215000	5000
0	0	16911	1248	148	600	129200	0
0	0	3000	480	0	480	95000	0
0	0	20405	2410	1410	0	125000	0
0	0	56762	5546	2772	2218	100000	0
12	9	33658	2593	1383	200	225000	0
14	0	8922	1405	100	100	145000	0
10	0	52776	4435	950	1584	100000	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
39	30	133702	34807	9249	3468	1039722	0
44	0	93605	18125	3000	3600	750000	0
32	0	123245	26106	11810	3468	682250	0
0	12	72454	8591	1474	2172	300000	20334
0	0	25780	3810	1553	780	205000	0
11	8	42899	7837	1789	1693	130000	0
0	0	40320	6372	0	1200	110000	0
0	0	45579	5851	820	1717	293000	0
0	0	44121	18721	1500	2000	280000	0
0	0	8291	238	88	150	66000	0
29	31	107313	24461	10135	2700	630000	0
13	0	38105	4585	2000	1250	210000	0
0	0	16542	2250	250	1000	120000	12000
12	0	91193	22547	4146	3316	200000	7750
0	0	38208	2848	675	814	310000	8300
0	0	19533	3368	0	0	150000	0
0	0	17164	0	0	0	75000	0
16	12	44552	14189	6692	1600	270000	0
0	0	53229	7213	2295	1530	300000	0
0	0	9590	300	100	100	26400	0
10	22	61716	2824	900	1000	500000	22300
0	0	6588	419	0	419	270400	0
0	0	14263	839	389	150	80000	0
0	0	31606	5396	632	2698	200000	0
0	0	350	0	0	0	30000	500
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	18663	1519	873	646	100000	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	8687	3900	1200	0	65000	0
25	18	171350	14850	3600	1200	300000	0
0	0	30114	5346	500	900	250000	0
9	0	16672	2335	115	300	156700	0
85	0	62411	5288	1800	900	410703	18000
0	0	33199	6685	2522	1197	161700	0
442	180	1964223	303666	84759	48230	10431075	94184

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING INFORMATION

ASSOCIATION
ASHE BAPT ASSN

19-TOTAL ONGOING DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING
a-Ongoing Preschool B-5
b-Ongoing Children 6-11
c-Ongoing Youth 12-17
d-Ongoing Adult 18 & Up
e-DT General Officers

Congregation	19	19a	19b	19c	19d	19e
APPLE GROVE, LANSING	0	0	0	0	0	0
BALD MOUNTAIN, W. JE	0	0	0	0	0	0
BEAVER CREEK, W JEFF	0	0	0	0	0	0
BETHEL, W JEFFERSON	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIG FLATTS, FLEETWOO	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIG LAUREL, WEST JEF	0	0	0	0	0	0
BLUE RIDGE, W JEFFER	0	0	0	0	0	0
BRISTOL, JEFFERSON	0	0	0	0	0	0
BUFFALO, W. JEFFERSO	9	0	0	0	7	2
CALVARY, W. JEFFERSO	20	0	7	2	10	1
CLIFTON, WARRENSVILL	0	0	0	0	0	0
FARMERS MEMORIAL, WH	0	0	0	0	0	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	74	0	8	7	50	9
FRIENDLY GROVE, W. J	0	0	0	0	0	0
FRIENDSHIP, JEFFERSO	0	0	0	0	0	0
GLENDALE SPRINGS, GL	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRASSY CREEK	0	0	0	0	0	0
HEALING SPRINGS, CRU	5	0	1	3	0	1
LANDMARK BAPT, JEFFE	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAUREL KNOB, TODD	22	1	2	7	10	2
LIBERTY GROVE, DEEP	37	3	3	5	25	1
LITTLE HELTON, W. JE	0	0	0	0	0	0
MIDWAY, W. JEFFERSON	69	8	17	14	19	11
MISSION HOME, FLEETW	37	0	4	6	24	3
MOUNT OLIVE, FLEETWO	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEW RIVER, PINEY CRE	37	1	5	8	20	3
NORTH BEAVER, W. JEF	42	0	10	8	23	1
OAK HILL, LANSING	0	0	0	0	0	0
OBIDS, W. JEFFERSON	0	0	0	0	0	0
OLD FIELDS, FLEETWOO	27	0	1	7	17	2
ORION, JEFFERSON	0	0	0	0	0	0
PEAK VALLEY, CRESTON	0	0	0	0	0	0
PHOENIX, LANSING	27	2	2	5	16	2
PILOT MOUNTAIN, TODD	0	0	0	0	0	0
PINE SWAMP, W. JEFFE	0	0	0	0	0	0
PLEASANT HOME, GRASS	0	0	0	0	0	0
PLEASANT VALLEY, JEF	0	0	0	0	0	0
PROSPERITY, TRADE	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROUND KNOB, W. JEFFE	0	0	0	0	0	0
SABBATH HOME, LANSIN	0	0	0	0	0	0
THREE FORKS, CRESTON	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRINITY, DEEP GAP	0	0	0	0	0	0
TUCKERDALE, LANSING	0	0	0	0	0	0
WAGONER, JEFFERSON	0	0	0	0	0	0
WARRENSVILLE	0	0	0	0	0	0
WELCOME HOME, JEFFER	27	0	0	10	15	2
TOTALS	433	15	60	82	236	40

20-TOTAL SHORT-TERM DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING
a-Short-Term Preschool
b-Short-Term Children
c-Short-Term Youth
d-Short-Term Adults
19+20-Total DT Enrollment/Participation

20	20a	20b	20c	20d	19+20
0	0	0	0	0	0
149	0	12	55	82	149
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	9
0	0	0	0	0	20
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
62	0	5	5	52	136
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	5
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	22
0	0	0	0	0	37
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	69
0	0	0	0	0	37
0	0	0	0	0	0
7	0	0	0	7	44
7	0	0	0	7	49
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	27
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
32	0	2	24	6	59
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	27
257	0	19	84	154	690

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ASSOCIATION
ASHE BAPT ASSN

26-Undesignated Gifts
27-Designated Gifts
28-Other Receipts
29-Cooperative Program
30-Associational Missions

Congregation	26	27	28	29	30
APPLE GROVE, LANSING	4570	0	0	20	50
BALD MOUNTAIN, W. JE	130268	62290	0	7816	240
BEAVER CREEK, W JEFF	19713	8525	0	0	790
BETHEL, W JEFFERSON	21126	4253	0	53	0
BIG FLATTS, FLEETWOO	12351	4560	0	148	600
BIG LAUREL, WEST JEF	2928	72	0	0	480
BLUE RIDGE, W JEFFER	20205	200	0	1410	0
BRISTOL, JEFFERSON	50351	5918	493	2772	2218
BUFFALO, W. JEFFERSO	32431	1132	95	1383	200
CALVARY, W. JEFFERSO	8922	0	0	100	100
CLIFTON, WARRENSVILL	41078	11698	0	950	1584
FARMERS MEMORIAL, WH	0	0	0	0	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	115033	16640	2029	9249	3468
FRIENDLY GROVE, W. J	85680	7925	0	3000	3600
FRIENDSHIP, JEFFERSO	97240	26005	0	11810	3468
GLENDALE SPRINGS, GL	69496	2958	0	1474	2172
GRASSY CREEK	23709	379	1692	1553	780
HEALING SPRINGS, CRU	37073	2526	3300	1789	1693
LANDMARK BAPT, JEFFE	30305	10015	0	0	1200
LAUREL KNOB, TODD	37290	8289	0	820	1717
LIBERTY GROVE, DEEP	41796	2325	0	1500	2000
LITTLE HELTON, W. JE	7859	432	0	88	150
MIDWAY, W. JEFFERSON	96487	8074	2752	10135	2700
MISSION HOME, FLEETW	36550	1335	220	2000	1250
MOUNT OLIVE, FLEETWO	16542	0	0	250	1000
NEW RIVER, PINEY CRE	82918	8225	50	4146	3316
NORTH BEAVER, W. JEF	35391	359	2458	675	814
OAK HILL, LANSING	19533	0	0	0	0
OBIDS, W. JEFFERSON	15534	1630	0	0	0
OLD FIELDS, FLEETWOO	33859	10633	60	6692	1600
ORION, JEFFERSON	38869	14001	359	2295	1530
PEAK VALLEY, CRESTON	9264	326	0	100	100
PHOENIX, LANSING	59950	1650	116	900	1000
PILOT MOUNTAIN, TODD	6139	268	181	0	419
PINE SWAMP, W. JEFFE	11063	3200	0	389	150
PLEASANT HOME, GRASS	24622	6984	0	632	2698
PLEASANT VALLEY, JEF	50	300	0	0	0
PROSPERITY, TRADE	0	0	0	0	0
ROUND KNOB, W. JEFFE	18663	0	0	873	646
SABBATH HOME, LANSIN	0	0	0	0	0
THREE FORKS, CRESTON	6287	0	2400	1200	0
TRINITY, DEEP GAP	171350	0	0	3600	1200
TUCKERDALE, LANSING	26866	3085	163	500	900
WAGONER, JEFFERSON	14337	2335	0	115	300
WARRENSVILLE	53632	7924	855	1800	900
WELCOME HOME, JEFFER	24680	7794	725	2522	1197
TOTALS	1692010	254265	17948	84759	48230

31-State Missions
32-Annie Armstrong
33-Lottie Moon
34-Other SBC Mission Expenditures
35-Non-SBC Mission Expenditures
36-Value of Congregational Property
37-Congregational Debt

31	32	33	34	35	36	3
0	20	0	20	20	75000	0
0	1000	1500	0	8770	450000	0
0	100	100	1530	0	100000	0
0	0	100	0	1800	215000	5000
0	0	500	0	0	129200	0
0	0	0	0	0	95000	0
0	500	500	0	0	125000	0
0	0	556	0	0	100000	0
0	375	635	0	0	225000	0
0	215	400	590	0	145000	0
600	600	600	0	101	100000	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	3011	5220	2633	11226	1039722	0
2300	2622	3713	1590	1300	750000	0
1000	2505	4000	327	2996	682250	0
100	1013	461	0	3371	300000	20334
0	275	275	346	581	205000	0
985	232	390	284	2464	130000	0
600	600	1400	0	2572	110000	0
926	0	1639	0	749	293000	
600	0	2325	0	12296	280000	
0	0	0	0	0	66000	0
3639	1600	2378	153	3856	630000	0
0	610	725	0	0	210000	
200	200	600	0	0	120000	1200
569	1683	2337	4983	5513	200000	7750
0	133	226	0	1000	310000	8300
0	0	782	240	2346	150000	0
0	0	0	0	0	75000	0
246	1395	1617	1600	1039	270000	0
619	1069	1106	0	594	300000	0
0	0	100	0	0	26400	0
0	364	560	0	0	500000	22300
0	0	0	0	0	270400	0
200	50	50	0	0	80000	0
632	630	804	0	0	200000	0
0	0	0	0	0	30000	500
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	100000	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	2700	65000	0
0	0	0	7650	2400	300000	0
1100	0	500	0	2346	250000	0
400	200	360	717	243	156700	0
412	300	300	0	1576	410703	18000
0	243	558	906	1259	161700	0
15128	21545	37317	23569	73118	10431075	94184

MEMBER/CONGREGATIONAL INFORMATION

ASSOCIATION
ASHE BAPT ASSN

1-Total Membership
2-Resident Membership
3-TOTAL BAPTISMS
a-Baptisms Under 6
b-Baptisms Age 6-8
c-Baptisms Age 9-11
d-Baptisms Age 12-17

Congregation	County	1	2	3	3a	3b	3c	3d
APPLE GROVE, LANSING	ASHE	119	119	0	0	0	0	0
BALD MOUNTAIN, W. JE	Ashe	459	396	16	0	1	2	5
BEAVER CREEK, W JEFF	Ashe	131	91	0	0	0	0	0
BETHEL, W JEFFERSON	Ashe	144	65	0	0	0	0	0
BIG FLATTS, FLEETWOO	Ashe	68	35	0	0	0	0	0
BIG LAUREL, WEST JEF	Ashe	20	10	0	0	0	0	0
BLUE RIDGE, W JEFFER	Ashe	50	0	0	0	0	0	0
BRISTOL, JEFFERSON	Ashe	279	279	21	0	0	7	4
BUFFALO, W. JEFFERSO	Ashe	105	94	1	0	1	0	0
CALVARY, W. JEFFERSO	Ashe	146	135	0	0	0	0	0
CLIFTON, WARRENSVILL	Ashe	276	31	7	1	0	1	1
FARMERS MEMORIAL, WH		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	Ashe	390	346	3	0	0	0	0
FRIENDLY GROVE, W. J	Ashe	272	9	7	0	0	1	2
FRIENDSHIP, JEFFERSO	Ashe	382	338	11	0	2	4	0
GLENDALE SPRINGS, GL	Ashe	178	120	0	0	0	0	0
GRASSY CREEK	Ashe	139	77	0	0	0	0	0
HEALING SPRINGS, CRU	Ashe	194	82	2	0	0	0	0
LANDMARK BAPT, JEFFE	Ashe	166	120	0	0	0	0	0
LAUREL KNOB, TODD	Ashe	99	76	3	0	0	0	3
LIBERTY GROVE, DEEP	Ashe	208	116	0	0	0	0	0
LITTLE HELTON, W. JE	Ashe	98	44	1	0	0	0	0
MIDWAY, W. JEFFERSON	Ashe	311	242	13	0	4	6	0
MISSION HOME, FLEETW	Ashe	150	121	3	0	0	0	1
MOUNT OLIVE, FLEETWO	Ashe	73	65	0	0	0	0	0
NEW RIVER, PINEY CRE	Ashe	252	135	2	0	1	0	1
NORTH BEAVER, W. JEF	Ashe	183	157	11	0	2	1	2
OAK HILL, LANSING	Ashe	157	88	0	0	0	0	0
OBIDS, W. JEFFERSON	Ashe	56	55	1	0	1	0	0
OLD FIELDS, FLEETWOO	Ashe	97	85	0	0	0	0	0
ORION, JEFFERSON	Ashe	171	159	0	0	0	0	0
PEAK VALLEY, CRESTON	Ashe	22	12	0	0	0	0	0
PHOENIX, LANSING	Ashe	164	132	2	0	0	1	1
PILOT MOUNTAIN, TODD	Watauga	90	90	0	0	0	0	0
PINE SWAMP, W. JEFFE	Ashe	72	55	1	0	0	0	0
PLEASANT HOME, GRASS	Ashe	139	102	4	0	1	1	0
PLEASANT VALLEY, JEF	Ashe	109	52	2	0	0	0	0
PROSPERITY, TRADE		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROUND KNOB, W. JEFFE	Ashe	133	98	0	0	0	0	0
SABBATH HOME, LANSIN	Ashe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
THREE FORKS, CRESTON	Ashe	103	43	0	0	0	0	0
TRINITY, DEEP GAP	Watauga	602	400	13	0	0	0	7
TUCKERDALE, LANSING	Ashe	164	137	0	0	0	0	0
WAGONER, JEFFERSON	Ashe	142	100	4	0	1	0	1
WARRENSVILLE	Ashe	300	152	33	0	3	14	7
WELCOME HOME, JEFFER	Ashe	186	145	2	0	0	0	2
TOTALS		7599	5208	163	1	17	38	37

e-Baptisms Age 18-29
f-Baptisms Age 30-59
g-Baptisms Age 60 & Up
4-Other Additions
5-New Member Training
6-Year Organized
7-Year Pastor Came

8-LOCATION CODE
A-Open Country MEDIUM CITY LARGE CITY
B-Village E-Downtown H-Downtown
C-Town F-Neighborhood I-Neighborhood
D-Small City G-Suburbs J-Suburbs

9-AM Worship Service Attendance
10-Church-Type Missions Started
11-Church-Type Missions Operated
12-Lost/Unchurched (Y/N)
13-Associational Giving on Percentage Basis (Y/N)
14-Intercessory Prayer Ministry (Y/N)
R/E-Racial/Ethnic Code (1-White, Non-Hispanic; 2-Black (African-American); 3-Hispanic; 4-Native American; 5-Korean; 6-Chinese; 7-Other

3e	3f	3g	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	R/E
0	0	0	5	0	1889	1986	A	35	0	0	N	Y	N	1
1	7	0	12	10	1810	1991	A	250	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
0	0	0	3	0	1890	1990	A	58	0	0	N	Y	N	1
0	0	0	3	0	1857	1968	A	47	0	0	N	N	Y	1
0	0	0	1	0	1905	1995	A	20	0	0	N	N	N	1
0	0	0	0	0	1880	1989	A	7	0	0	N	Y	N	1
0	0	0	0	0	1887	1994	A	28	0	0	N	Y	Y	1
2	5	3	10	0	1888	1973	B	120	0	0	Y	N	N	1
0	0	0	0	0	1869		A	65	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	0	0	12	0	1960	1995	C	44	0	0	N	Y	Y	1
2	2	0	3	0	1891	1996	A	62	0	0	Y	N	N	1
0	0	0	0	0				0	0	0	N	N	N	1
0	2	1	10	0	1953	1991	C	150	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
1	1	2	0	0	1945	1996	A	90	0	0	Y	N	N	1
5	0	0	9	7	1880	1996	A	162	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
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6	2	1	30	33	1929	1996	A	140	7	12	Y	N	N	1
0	0	0	1	0	1935	1995	A	75	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
33	30	7	213	58				3107	7	12				

MUSIC MINISTRY INFORMATION For 1996-97 Associational Year

ASSOCIATION
ASHE BAPT ASSN

21-TOTAL MUSIC MINISTRY ENROLLMENT
a-Preschool 3-5 Years
b-Children 6-11 Years
c-Youth 12-17 Years
d-Adult Choirs 18 & Up
e-Other Music Groups

Congregation	21	21a	21b	21c	21d	21e
APPLE GROVE, LANSING	0	0	0	0	0	0
BALD MOUNTAIN, W. JE	74	10	12	12	40	0
BEAVER CREEK, W JEFF	29	2	5	4	18	0
BETHEL, W JEFFERSON	12	0	0	0	12	0
BIG FLATTS, FLEETWOO	40	2	6	1	27	4
BIG LAUREL, WEST JEF	6	0	0	0	6	0
BLUE RIDGE, W JEFFER	0	0	0	0	0	0
BRISTOL, JEFFERSON	35	0	0	5	30	0
BUFFALO, W. JEFFERSO	39	0	2	5	24	8
CALVARY, W. JEFFERSO	17	0	0	1	16	0
CLIFTON, WARRENSVILL	21	0	3	2	16	0
FARMERS MEMORIAL, WH	0	0	0	0	0	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	39	3	5	6	25	0
FRIENDLY GROVE, W. J	26	0	10	0	16	0
FRIENDSHIP, JEFFERSO	70	7	18	0	40	5
GLENDALE SPRINGS, GL	86	0	6	1	45	34
GRASSY CREEK	13	0	1	0	12	0
HEALING SPRINGS, CRU	21	0	0	3	18	0
LANDMARK BAPT, JEFFE	67	6	10	3	46	2
LAUREL KNOB, TODD	29	1	0	7	12	9
LIBERTY GROVE, DEEP	33	2	2	4	25	0
LITTLE HELTON, W. JE	0	0	0	0	0	0
MIDWAY, W. JEFFERSON	64	5	11	11	23	14
MISSION HOME, FLEETW	20	0	0	0	20	0
MOUNT OLIVE, FLEETWO	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEW RIVER, PINEY CRE	54	4	8	10	27	5
NORTH BEAVER, W. JEF	49	0	12	7	28	2
OAK HILL, LANSING	16	0	0	0	16	0
OBIDS, W. JEFFERSON	21	0	3	5	13	0
OLD FIELDS, FLEETWOO	15	0	0	0	15	0
ORION, JEFFERSON	20	0	0	0	20	0
PEAK VALLEY, CRESTON	0	0	0	0	0	0
PHOENIX, LANSING	20	0	0	0	20	0
PILOT MOUNTAIN, TODD	0	0	0	0	0	0
PINE SWAMP, W. JEFFE	0	0	0	0	0	0
PLEASANT HOME, GRASS	20	2	2	2	14	0
PLEASANT VALLEY, JEF	17	0	1	0	14	2
PROSPERITY, TRADE	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROUND KNOB, W. JEFFE	0	0	0	0	0	0
SABBATH HOME, LANSIN	0	0	0	0	0	0
THREE FORKS, CRESTON	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRINITY, DEEP GAP	75	0	0	25	50	0
TUCKERDALE, LANSING	0	0	0	0	0	0
WAGONER, JEFFERSON	13	0	0	0	10	3
WARRENSVILLE	107	9	18	15	49	16
WELCOME HOME, JEFFER	24	0	0	0	24	0
TOTALS	1192	53	135	129	771	104

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ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION

A New Heart for Associational Missions

Friday, August 14, 1998
Hosted by
Mission Home Baptist Church

Saturday, August 15, 1998
Hosted by
Friendship Baptist Church

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A Special Thanks

Rev. David Blackburn, Director of Missions and Linda Blevins, Office Assistant would like to thank all the volunteers who made this minute book possible. God bless you all!

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Dr. James Murphy	NC Baptist Hospital
Rev. Tom Lolley	State Missions
Rev. Bruce Rabon	Gardner-Webb University
Mr. Todd Edmiston	Fruitland Bible Institute
Rev. Ken Boaz	Foreign Missions
Rev. Wayne Osborne	Friday Afternoon Message
Rev. Charles McCoy	Annual Message
Rev. Lawrence Goodman	Mission Sermon
Rev. Ronnie McMillan	Saturday Message

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THE 1998 ANNUAL OF THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION IS DEDICATED IN MEMORY OF

Rev. Frank Tucker

"Preacher Tucker", as he was know to all, went on to be with our Lord on September 22, 1987, marking the end of 44 years of preaching the Gospel. He was ordained to preach in September of 1943, and shortly thereafter began to fill in for Rev. M.D. Hart, who was away in the state legislature. In the years to follow, he served as pastor of eight churches in the Ashe Baptist Association. These churches were: Ashland, Peak Valley, Clifton, Buffalo, Pleasant Chapel, Pleasant Home, Welcome Home and Tuckerdale. He served as pastor of Welcome Home Church for many years, and served the Tuckerdale Church for thirty-two years, which was his last pastorate. Following his retirement from Tuckerdale Church, he served as interim pastor of Phoenix Church until just prior to his death and when their present pastor was called.

He was a bi-vocational minister until his retirement from carpentry work in 1970, however, he never let this work interfere with the church work. He was available whenever anyone needed him, and he gladly used his carpentry skills to work on the church buildings wherever he was serving as pastor.

At the age of four, following the death of his elderly father, David Tucker, he was taken into the home of Frank and Nannie Tucker in the Tuckerdale Community.

Rev. Elihu Tucker, a well-known Baptist minister during the early 1900s, was a half-brother to Frank.

He met his wife, Edith Roland, while she attended school nearby, and they were married April 21, 1926. They were blessed with 60 years together, and she preceded him in death on October 7, 1986. Her death left a void in his life he was not able to overcome. Their seven children survive: Betty, Patsy Lou, James, Max, Mabel, Nancy and Larry.

Although he did not have many years of formal education, he studied long hours on his sermons and always gave his best in his ministry. He loved the people in his pastorate, and rejoiced when any unsaved persons came to know the Lord as their Savior.

Surely our Lord has a Blessed reward for his faithful servant of many years.

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THE 1998 ANNUAL OF THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION IS DEDICATED IN HONOR OF

Rev. William C. "Bill" Ballou

Rev. William C. Ballou, better known to most of us as "Bill" was born January 6, 1926 to E. Ward and Bertha Austin Ballou. Bill grew up in the Old Fields area, near Crumpler; and attended Healing Springs School.

Being drafted to serve his country, he entered the infantry division of the US Armed Forces one week after high school graduation.

He received a furlough after six weeks of basic training, returned to his home base in Tallahassee, Florida and then he and his company were sent to Germany. This was during World War II. Serving in Germany, even being taken prisoner and near starvation - God spared his life for greater things and service to Him.

After returning home from serving his country, Bill and Opal Lyalls were united in marriage by Rev. E.Z. Sexton on the front porch of the Sexton home August 21, 1945. They both love Ashe County and all its people, so they made this area their home.

In 1961 Bill was called to the ministry of God and entered Fruitland Bible Institute. The latter part of 1963 Rev. W.T. Whittington of First Baptist Church in Jefferson, now J.F. Fletcher Memorial ordained Rev. Bill and he became their third pastor.

He was selected in 1969 to serve the Ashe Baptist Association as Associational Director of Missions, and held this post for twenty-two years.

We are proud to have had such a dedicated man of the Lord to serve as our Director of Missions. He has done an outstanding job of serving the 50 churches, families, pastors, and mission efforts during this time. His gift and ability to teach, preach God's Holy Word, sing and his willingness to serve will be long remembered by all whom he knew and served. I am sure that one day he will hear the words, "Well done, thy good and faithful servant."

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Rev. William C. "Bill" Ballou
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He and Opal have four fine children, Sylvia Bower, Shelia Phillips, Larry and Lanny Ballou. They have seven grandchildren whom they have greatly influenced to serve the Lord and who are a great asset to our community.

The following is a summary and update of the ministry of Rev. Ballou:

Bill Ballou was ordained into the ministry by the First Baptist Church of Jefferson on April 17, 1962, and was called as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Jefferson at that time. He served as pastor of this church for four years and three months.

On March 27, 1964, Bill graduated from Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute.

He was elected as Director of Missions of the Ashe Baptist Association where he served for twenty-two years. He retired as Director of Missions in 1991.

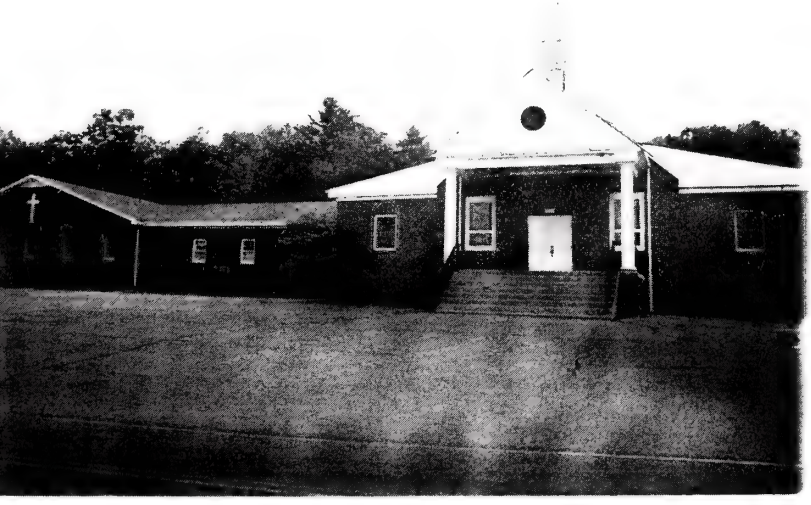
On July 28, 1991, he was called as pastor of the Big Flatts Baptist Church where he served until May 10, 1992.

He was called as pastor of the Healing Springs Baptist Church on June 21, 1992, and served the church for five years and eleven months.

He served the Midway Baptist Church as pulpit supply and interim pastor for sixteen weeks. We are very thankful for the ministry of Rev. Bill Ballou. He continues to serve our mountain churches today. The power of God still flows through his ministry.

MISSION HOME BAPTIST CHURCH

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH



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MISSION HOME BAPTIST CHURCH

A BRIEF HISTORY

Mission Home Baptist Church, located in Fleetwood, was organized May 19, 1892. Prior to this, services were held at Mt. Pleasant Church.

The name "Mission Home" being given to signify the Missionary Spirit that was predominant among the members.

A new building was erected and on the first Sunday in August 1909, the church was dedicated with Rev. Asa Brown preaching the dedication sermon.

In the early 40's the members saw a need for the church building to be moved, since the road had been changed and ran near the side of the building. With much hauling of rock which was done by the members to fill in a big hole, then covered by dirt, the building was moved to the present location. Soon a hardwood floor was laid. Also, new windows were installed at that time, which since have been replaced by stained glass.

One group of Sunday School rooms were added to the building in 1948. Another wing was built on in 1958. New pews were installed, also choir seats. The Church was bricked in 1965, the parking lot paved in 1969. A new piano was purchased in 1970 and carpet installed in 197 1. The Fellowship Hall was built in the 70's.

There have been a total of 32 pastors that has served this church since its organization. Seventeen people have held the position of church clerk. A total of 6 ministers have been ordained from this church.

Mission Home has grown from a group of 10 charter members to a present average attendance of 91.

Since our Church Family has grown, we saw a need to enlarge the choir loft and auditorium. New carpet was installed that summer and the new additions was dedicated to the Lord on Sunday, October 16, 1988.

The past year has been a year of growth as well, We have expanded programs for our youth to include Acteens, RA's and GA's. The purchase of a church van was made last fall which has helped keep both our youth and seniors active.

Many whom have been so faithful to our church, have gone to their reward. They have truly been a part of building the heritage of Mission Home Baptist Church. The Church continues to be a strong force for the Lord in the community under the leadership of Rev. Kenneth Furches.

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH
A BRIEF HISTORY

Friendship Baptist Church was organized in the home of Mr. Blake Weaver (grandfather of Pearl W. Burkett), close to Ashe Central High School, across the road from the home of Ruth and Lucius Witherspoon. The date was August 11, 1880. The first meetings were held in the old Friendship School building until a new building was erected near the school in 1909. The church's first pastor was Rev. Thomas Duncan. The first member received by baptism was Mr. G.W. Burkett (grandfather of the late Rev. (G.C. Burkett). Mr. Burkett also sold the church the one acre of land where the first church was built, less than fifty feet west of our present facility. In 1950, the original portion of our current facility was built. The last sermon in the old building was preached by Rev. J.T. Cockerham, with the first sermon in the new facility given by Rev. M.D. Hart, who is still active in the ministry. With land purchased and donated from Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Marsh and Rev. & Mrs. G.C. Burkett, the church has made several addition. From 1972 through 1979, these additions included the west wing of our sanctuary, two additions to the educational department, as well as the fellowship hall and picnic shelter. This brings us to 1997, with the addition of the East wing of our sanctuary.

Pastors of Friendship Baptist Church

Rev. T.M. Duncan	1880-1897
Rev. G.W. Eller	1897-1898
Rev. E. Blevins	1898-1902; 1922-1925
Rev. J.M. Neaves	1902-1903
Rev. E. Tucker	1903-1904; Aug-Nov 1907
Rev. J.F. Fletcher	1904-1905
Rev. P.H. Haire	1905-1907
Rev. W.F. Barker	1907-1911; 1915-1917, 1920-1922
Rev. R.M. Burkett	1911-1912
Rev. T.M. Hayes	1912-1915
Rev. W.E. Carlton	1917-1920
Rev. W.E. Denny	1925-1948
Rev. M.D. Hart	1948-1956
Rev. G.C. Burkett	1956-1966
Rev. E.W. Powers	1966-1972
Rev. T.E. Johnson	1972-1980
Rev. H.A. Parunak	1981-1987
Rev. J.M. Blevins	1988-1995
Rev. M.L. Hamby	1996-present

Submitted by Fred Walters

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

MEMBERS WHO DIED DURING THE YEAR

Beaver Creek	Mr. Raymond Eckert
Big Flatts	Mrs. Essie B. Orem
Blue Ridge	Mr. Hamp Ashley, Mrs. Helen Blevins
Bristol	Mrs. Dot Calloway, Mrs. Doris Lyalls, Mrs. Virgie Proctor
Buffalo	Mr. Charles Harless, Mr. Paul Trivette, Mrs. Ruth Trivette
Calvary	Mr. Clayborne Wagoner
Clifton	Mr. Norman Roland, Mr. Frank Treadway, Mrs. Pearl Weaver
Fletcher	Mr. Ronald Patrick
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Friendship	Mrs. Mytle Shatley, Mr. Eddie Taylor
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Healing Springs	Miss Lucy Blackburn, Mrs. Thelma Fender
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Little Helton	Mr. Howard Waddell

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Round Knob
Annie Severt (336) 877-5476
3165 Cox Rd.
W. Jefferson, NC 28694

Three Forks
David Richardson (336) 385-6383
679 Muddy Branch Rd.
Creston, NC 28615

Trinity
Marcia Rowe (828) 264-3879
5794 Hwy. 421 S.
Boone, NC 28607

Tuckerdale
Eddie Roten (336) 384-3980
P.O. Box 85
Lansing, NC 28643

Wagoner
Irma G. Liddle (336) 982-2623
509 NC Hwy. 88 East
Jefferson, NC 28640

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

TREASURERS

Warrensville
Janie Ashley
1324 Teaberry Rd.
Warrensville, NC 28693
(336) 384-3131

Welcome Home
Helen Williams
4111 Hwy 221 N
Jefferson, NC 28640
(336) 982-2161

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

STEWARDSHIP CHAIRMEN

Buffalo
Richard Legros (336) 877-4183
2611 West Buffalo Rd.
W. Jefferson, NC 28694

Friendly Grove
David Holman (336) 877-4512
411 Golden Pond Rd.
W. Jefferson, NC 28694

Liberty Grove
Jerry South (336) 877-4547
P.O. Box 390
Deep Gap, NC 28618

Mission Home
Archie Pierce (336) 877-4541
303 Hwy. 194 S.
W. Jefferson, NC 28694

New River
Larry Greer (336) 246-2703
226 Rayfield Acres Dr.
W. Jefferson, NC 28694

Phoenix
Bernard Miller (336) 384-2657
1555 McNeil Rd.
Lansing, NC 28643

Round Knob
Allen Miller (336) 246-2134
526 Beaver Drive
W. Jefferson, NC 28694

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

STEWARDSHIP CHAIRMEN

Tuckerdale
Jerry D. Powers (336) 982-4444
281 Cranberry Creek Rd.
Laurel Springs, NC 28644

Welcome Home
Scott Roten (336) 982-9081
2428 US Hwy. 221 N.
Jefferson, NC 28640

WMU DIRECTORS

Bald Mountain
Paulette Poe (336) 877-5731
1577 Bald Mtn. Rd.
W. Jefferson, NC 28694

Beaver Creek
Angie Miller (336) 877-8885
133 Country Air Lane
W. Jefferson, NC 28694

Buffalo
Paula Perry (336) 877-5516
280 Perry Rd.
W. Jefferson, NC 28694

Calvary
Patricia Miller (336) 246-9059
265 Baldwin Rd.
W. Jefferson, NC 28694

Clifton
Debbie Jones (336) 385-6120
170 Edd Little Rd.
Warrensville, NC 28693

Fletcher Memorial
Lottie Garrett (336) 246-3259
510 Martin St., Apt. 18
Jefferson, NC 28640

Friendly Grove
Josephine Starling (336) 246-2091
215 Brook Lane
W. Jefferson, NC 28694

WMU DIRECTORS

Friendship
Ilene Stump (336) 982-3899
225 Friendship Bpt. Ch. Rd.
Jefferson, NC 28640

Healing Springs
Jessie Barrington (336) 982-9476
935 Aubrey Turner Rd Ext
Crumpler, NC 28617

Highlands Community
Pat Crepps (336) 982-2283
831 Roby Poe Rd.
Crumpler, NC 28617

Landmark
Kathy McMillan (336) 696-4262
473 Twin Hill Rd.
N. Wilkesboro, NC 28659

Midway
Barbara Hodges (336) 246-3366
260 Hodge Dr.
W. Jefferson, NC 28694

Mission Home
Nancy Brown (336) 877-4296
240-A Earnest Howell Rd.
W. Jefferson, NC 28694

New River
Debbie Brewer (336) 359-8284
555 South Fork Rd.
Piney Creek, NC 28663

WMU DIRECTORS

North Beaver
Joyce Jones (336) 877-4360
227 Buffalo Meadows Rd.
W. Jefferson, NC 28694

Old Fields
Norma Yates (336) 877-4389
4815 Idlewild Rd.
Fleetwood, NC 28626

Orion
Paula Miller (336) 982-8658
3991 Hwy. 221 N
Jefferson, NC 28640

Phoenix
Cecile Eldreth (336) 384-3853
5365 Hwy. 88 W.
Warrensville, NC 28693

Trinity
Vera Zapcic (336) 877-2438
1530 Connelly Cheek Rd.
Fleetwood, NC 28626

Wagoner
Jennifer Jones (336) 982-4846
411 Old Wilkesboro Rd.
Jefferson, NC 28640

Warrensville
Geraldine Reed (336) 246-4105
250 Le Chemain Dr.
W. Jefferson, NC 28694

WMU DIRECTORS

Welcome Home
Debbie Pennington (336) 982-9343
420 Walters Way
Crumpler, NC 28617

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ORGANIZATIONAL OFFICERS

Moderator	Mr. Jerry Powers
Vice Moderator	Mr. Joe Brown
Clerk/Treasurer	Mrs. Linda Blevins

Sunday School Assist Team

Director	Rev. Jim Ketner	(336) 877-4033
AdultRev.	Lawrence Goodman	(336) 877-2042
Youth	Teshia Dillard	(336) 877-1596
	Frances Blevins	(336) 246-6583
Children	Vickie Young	(336) 384-4656
Preschool	Nancy Watson	(336) 877-4782

Church Music

Director of Music	Mr. Chris Hartley	(336) 246-3851

Discipleship Training

Discipleship Supp.	Dorothy Witherspoon	(336) 982-4310

Women's Missionary Union

Director	Linda Blackburn	(336) 246-5631

Brotherhood

President	Fred Walters	(336) 982-3316
Mission Study Chr.	J. C. Ashley	(336) 384-3111
RA Leader	Lanny Ballou	(336) 982-2897
Stewardship Chr.	Jerry Powers	(336) 982-4444

Vacation Bible School

Director	Amy Rexrode	(336) 246-2915

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ASSOCIATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

Budget & Finance Committee

1 yr.	Melissa Goodman	(336) 246-4001
	Larry Elliott	(336) 982-9235
3 yr.	Kathleen Turnmire	(336) 384-2140
	Thelma Howell	(336) 877-5638
	Bob Neaves	(336) 246-9735

Associational Trustees

Chr. Jim Vannoy	(336) 982-2150
Edd Harless	(336) 384-2368
Lloyd Witherspoon	(336) 246-9203
Ralph Davis	(336) 384-3676
Rev. Earl Sheets, Sr.	(336) 246-9963

Associational Ordination Committee

1 yr.	Rev. Keith Elledge	(336) 838-2286
	Rev. Earl Sheets, Sr.	(336) 246-9963
3 yr.	Rev. Dayton Roten	(336) 667-1807
	Rev. J. E. Owens	(336) 246-5212
	Rev. Wayne Jones	(336) 877-4360

Associational Music Committee

3 yr.	Dir. Chris Hartley	(336) 246-3851
	Rev. Wayne Osborne	(336) 384-2518
	Rev. Chuck Call	(828) 265-2655
2 yr.	Richard Blevins	(336) 246-6583
1 yr.	Dewey Campbell	(336) 246-5951

Committee on New Churches

3 yr.	Rev. Allen Combs	(336) 982-9063
	Rev. Garrett Mahaffey	(336) 877-4239
	Rev. Jim Rash	(336) 384-4374
	Rev. Colonel Blevins	(336) 246-9342
	Buck Davis	(336) 384-3130
	Mary Davis	(336) 384-3130

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ASSOCIATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

Seminary Extension Committee

3 yr.	Dir. Rev. Steve Witherspoon	(336) 982-4310
	Rev. Bill Ballou	(336) 982-4300
	Rev. Ken Furches	(336) 246-5810
	Rev. Ronnie McMillian	(336) 696-4262
1 yr.	Rev. Jerry Francis	(336) 372-6271

Nominating Committee

3 yr.	Deborah Fishel	(336) 384-9688
	Dale Neaves	(336) 982-2753
	Cindy Davis	(336) 384-3673
2 yr.	Rev. Jim Ketner	(336) 877-4033
	Terry Hartzog	(336) 877-4222

Associational Properties Committee

3 yr.	Clifton Poe	(336) 982-2273
1 yr.	Charles Severt	(336) 246-9470
	Chr. Lucian Jordan	(336) 877-1688

Associational Camp Committee

3 yr.	Charlene Goodman	(336) 877-4486
	David Stidhams	(336) 877-1851
	Harold Jordan	(336) 877-4516
	Jody Miller	(336) 877-4659
	George Swann	(336) 982-9856
	Rev. Rick Cornejo	(336) 877-9699
	Rev. Gary Watson	(828) 264-6938
	Rev. Johnny Huffman	(336) 359-8112
1 yr.	Chr. Leonard Jordan	(336) 246-7244
	Treasurer Ronnie Hopkins	(336) 877-4420

Missions Committee

Associational Missionary	Rev. David Blackburn	(336) 246-5631
Sunday School Director	Rev. Jim Ketner	(336) 877-4033
Discipleship Training	Dorothy Witherspoon	(336) 982-4310
Brotherhood Dir.	Fred Walters	(336) 982-3316
WMU Director	Linda Blackburn	(336) 246-5631
Music Director	Chris Hartley	(336) 246-3851

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ASSOCIATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

Missions Committee (Continued)

Moderator	Jerry Powers	(336) 982-4444
3yr.	Rev. Jack Miller	(336) 982-8658
	Rev. Rick Miller	(336) 982-8658

Associational Program Committee

3 yr.	Lisa Avery	(336) 246-8993
	Marie Jordan	(336) 877-4516
	Jack Harless	(336) 246-6788 or 246-7635
2 yr.	Rev. Jay T. Jones	(336) 246-4581
1 yr.	Linda Blackburn	(336) 246-5631

Committee on Evangelism

3 yr.	Chr. Rev. Dayton Roten	667-1807
	Judy Viers	877-1889
2 yr.	Julie Taylor	384-4733
	Larry Ballou	982-2908
	Rev. Rick Cornejo	877-9699

Associational Youth Council

3 yr.	Amy Turnmire Dollar	384-4815
	Rev. Wayne Osborne	384-2518
	Rev. Ken Lawrence	246-9071
2 yr.	Chr. Karlton Yearick	877-1763
	Jeff Testerman	246-5959
	Rev. Steve Viers	877-1889
	Rev. Lawrence Goodman	877-2042
1 Yr.	Peggy Powers	246-9073
	Frances Blevins	246-6583
	Treasurer, Joyce Grubb	246-4192

Constution and By-Laws Committee

3 yr.	Charles King	246-9937
	Allen Neaves	982-3575
	Rev. Tommy Graybeal	384-3194
2 yr.	Rev. Larry Powers	246-9073
1 yr.	Jack Ashley	384-3304

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ASSOCIATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

Associational Music Committee

3 yr.	Dir. Chris Hartley	246-3851
	Rev. Wayne Osborne	384-2518
	Rev. Chuck Call	828-264-2655
2 yr.	Richard Blevins	246-6583
1 yr.	Dewey Campbell	246-5951

MESSENGERS TO ANNUAL MEETING

APPLE GROVE
Carolyn Denny, Ruth D. Little, Anna Miller, Dortha Slate, Flossie Taylor, Kitty Taylor

BALD MOUNTAIN
Charlotte B. Elliott, Diane Roark, Joy H. Wyatt

BEAVER CREEK
Melissa Grogan, Grace Miller, Sara Patrick

BETHEL
Oscar Day, Carl Osborne, Linda Osborne

BIG FLATTS
Bill Bumgarner, U. G. Elliott, Doyle Jordan

BIG LAUREL
Johnie F. Roten, Ruth Roten

BLUE RIDGE
Clifton Charles, Greg Charles

BRISTOL
Helen Barker, Edith Greer, Wayne Greer, Eileen Honeycutt, Lewis Honeycutt

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MESSENGERS TO ANNUAL MEETING (continued)

BUFFALO
Tommy Davis, Lamon Perry, Paula Perry, Edna Rash

CALVARY
Phyllis Critcher, Rick Critcher, Rev. Ken Gregory, Ray Lambert

CLIFTON
Joe Eastridge, Polly Eastridge, Larry Richardson

FLETCHER MEMORIAL
Ruby Ballou, Lottie Garrett, June Hash

FRIENDLY GROVE
Allison Barker, Bob Barker, Darrell Brooks, Lenoir Elliott, Wayne Elliott, David Holman

FRIENDSHIP
Tim Church, Georgia Hager, Rev. David Lambert, Sylvia Roark, Fred Walters, Rev. Dwayne Zimmer

GLENDALE SPRINGS
Debbie Elledge, Rev. Keith Elledge, Larry Elliott, Bobby Hamby, George Swann

GRASSY CREEK
Hazel McGrady, Jack McGrady, Bryan Spencer

HEALING SPRINGS
Norette Brinegar, Marie Owen, Pozy Owen, Heath Phipps, Shannon Phipps, Clifton Poe, Kathleen Poe

LANDMARK
R. L. Blevins, Lenna Brooks, Norma Hartzog, Rick Hartzog, Carrie McCourry, Elsie Smith

LAUREL KNOB
Fred Goodman, Joanne Goodman, Joyce Grubb

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

MESSENGERS TO ANNUAL MEETING (continued)

LIBERTY GROVE
Ray Jones, Marshall Perkins, J. C. Trivette, Rev. Jimmy Williams

LITTLE HELTON
Pauline Houck, Wilford Porter, Danny Sizemore

MIDWAY
D. R. Jones, Hank Saralegui, Toni Saralegui

MISSION HOME
Patsy Brown, Diane Parsons, Thelma Phillips

MOUNT OLIVE
Benny Dillard, Harold Miller, Scott Parsons, Veronica Parsons, Kelly Surber, Sammy Surber

NEW RIVER
Clifford Caudill, Ema Caudill, Glenna Gore, Mack Gore, Gear leen Pollard, Harold Pollard

NORTH BEAVER
Connie McNeil, Allen Neaves, Mary Parsons

OAK HILL
Junior Elliott, Dale Walton, Bill Wyatt

OBIDS
Glenn South, Vilena South, Bly St. John

OLD FIELDS
Willa D. Church, Norma Yates

ORION
Georgia F. Bare, Chad Dillard, Chris Hartley, Jim Hartley, Paula Miller, Russell Vannoy

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

MESSENGERS TO ANNUAL MEETING (continued)

PEAK VALLEY
Bob Cornett, Darlene Cornett, Carol Roark, R. H. Roark

PHOENIX
Rolin Davis, Mary Dollar, Bernard Miller, Maxine Miller

PINE SWAMP
Robin Scott, Shirley Vannoy

PLEASANT HOME
John Green, Wayne Jones, Sharon Y. Parsons, Arthur Pasley Jr., Don Smith, Victoria Young

ROUND KNOB
Martha Cox, Allen Miller, Carolyn Miller, Mary Miller, Sybil Smith, Walter Smith

THREE FORKS
David Richardson

TRINITY
Delmas Parker, Rev. Jim Thompson

TUCKERDALE
Ralph Davis, Bob Powers, Brenda Powers

WAGONER
Sarah Long, Irene Sheets, Jack Sheets

WARRENSVILLE
Lela Brooks, Clifford Lindsey, Mary N. Osborne

WELCOME HOME
Zeb Barton, Edward McVey, Grace Tucker, Howard Tucker

NOTES

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS:		
On hand July 1, 1997	$ 21,221.98	
Home Missions	53,972.52	
Hispanic Missions	9,857.13	
Interest Income	1,304.64	
Reimbursed Minute Books	2,136.00	
State Missions Offering	659.43	
Sales Tax Refund	241.72	
BALANCE ON HAND AND RECEIVED		$ 89,393.42
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Director of Missions		
Salary	3,646.87	
Retirement	138.45	
Medical & Life Insurance	512.42	
Utilities	349.57	
Vehicle Allowance	723.04	
Payroll Tax Allowance	2,040.75	
Conferences & Conventions	19.48	
Parsonage Allowance	646.38	8,076.96
Associational Calendars	400.00	
Bank Charges	24.64	
Clerk/Treasurer	1,200.00	
Discipleship Training	636.00	
Evangelism	83.22	
Hispanic Ministry	14,011.83	
Homeowner's Insurance	539.00	
Key Leadership Conference Expense	150.00	
Miscellaneous	88.00	
Office Equipment	961.72	
Parsonage Repair & Maint.	2,107.85	
Parsonage-Mowing & Yard work	480.00	
Post Office Box Rent	36.00	
Postage/Mailing	1,107.96	
Printing & Supplies	1,830.41	
Reimbursement for travel-Clerk/Treas.	100.00	
Secretarial Help	8,226.50	
Social Security-Employer	721.04	
Service Agreement-Copier	650.00	
State Tax Withheld/Not paid	(80.57)	
Sunday School Assist	189.47	
Supplies	18.97	
Utilities	1,365.31	
Vacation Bible School	757.65	
WMU (Women's Missionary Union)	75.00	
Youth Council	1,200.00	
TOTAL AMOUNT PAID OUT		44,956.76
BALANCE ON HAND JUNE 30, 1998		$ 44,436.66

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Apple Grove	50.00
Bald Mountain	3750.00
Beaver Creek	1182.22
Big Flatts	1550.00
Big Laurel	420.00
Blue Ridge	1118.60
Bristol	2740.00
Buffalo	425.00
Calvary	100.00
Clifton	1411.82
Fletcher	4581.00
Friendly Grove	3400.00
Friendship	2900.00
Glendale Springs	2585.36
Grassy Creek	810.00
Healing Springs	1382.00
Highlands Community	2000.00
Landmark	1425.00
Laurel Knob	1327.21
Liberty Grove	2000.00
Little Helton	200.00
Midway	1600.00
Mission Home	2241.65
Mount Olive	1000.00
New River	3490.00
North Beaver	892.00
Oak Hill	200.00
Obids	800.00
Old Fields	1350.00
Orion	1803.00
Peak Valley	100.00
Phoenix	999.96
Pilot Mountain	322.80
Pine Swamp	150.00
Pleasant Home	2551.00
Round Knob	519.00
Three Forks	1200.00
Trinity	1625.00
Tuckerdale	1500.00
Wagoner	500.00
Warrensville	600.00
Welcome Home	1532.64

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1998-99

		1997-98 Approved Budget	1998-99 Proposed Budget
I.	EDUCATION AND PROMOTION		
1	Sunday School	1,000.00	1,000.00
2.	Discipleship Training	600.00	600.00
3.	Brotherhood	100.00	200.00
4	WMU	75.00	75.00
5	Church Music	50.00	100.00
6	Vacation Bible School	800.00	800.00
7.	Evangelism	1,200.00	1,200.00
8.	Key Leadership	150.00	150.00
9	Association Youth	1,200.00	1,200.00
	SUBTOTAL	5,175.00	5,325.00
II.	ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE		
1.	Office Equipment	1,000.00	1,000.00
2.	Printing and Supplies	2,000.00	2,000.00
3.	Postage/Mailing	2,000.00	2,000.00
4.	Associational Calendars	400.00	400.00
	SUBTOTAL	5,400.00	5,400.00
III.	SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES		
1.	Director of Missions		
	(a) Salary	35,000.00	35,000.00
	(b) Retirement		
	(c) Medical and Life Insurance		
	(d) Utilities		
	(e) Automobile Allowance		
	(f) Payroll Tax Allowance		
	(g) Conventions and Conferences		
	(h) Parsonage Allowance		
2.	Secretarial Help	4,600.00	8,320.00
3.	Clerk-Treasurer	1,200.00	1,200.00
	(a) Reimbursement for travel	100.00	100.00
4	Employee Taxes	445.00	750.00
	SUBTOTAL	41,345.00	45,370.00
IV.	PARSONAGE		
1.	Insurance Premium	500.00	500.00
2.	Building Repair and Property Maintenance	2,500.00	2,500.00
	SUBTOTAL	3,000.00	3,000.00
V.	MISCELLANEOUS		
1.	Miscellaneous	500.00	500.00
2.	DOM Search	72.00	0.00
	SUBTOTAL	572.00	500.00
VI.	HISPANIC MINISTRY		
1.	Hispanic Ministry	12,000.00	12,900.00
	SUBTOTAL	12,000.00	12,900.00
	TOTAL	$67,492.00	$72,495.00

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CONTRIBUTIONS TO
ASHE BAPTIST CAMP GROUND
JULY 1, 1997 THRU JUNE 30,1998

BALD MOUNTAIN BAPTIST CHURCH	240.00
BIG LAUREL BAPTIST CHURCH	60.00
BLUE RIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH	100.00
BRISTOL BAPTIST CHURCH	50.00
CLIFTON BAPTIST CHURCH	100.00
PLEASANT VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH	100.00
FRIENDLY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH	300.00
ROY & RHUMELL BALL	150.00
FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH	499.80
KIMBERLIN REUNION	43.00
GRASSY CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH	180.00
SKYLINE TELEPHONE MEMB. CORP.	45.81
HEALING SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH	60.00
BLEVINS REUNION	65.00
LAUREL KNOB BAPTIST CHURCH	50.00
SMITH REUNION	40.00
LIBERTY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH	300.00
APPLACHIAN B.S.U.	150.00
MISSION HOME BAPTIST CHURCH	200.00
MOUNT OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH	50.00
NEW RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH	607.47
TUCKERDALE BAPTIST CHURCH	300.00
OLD FIELDS BAPTIST CHURCH	100.00
ORION BAPTIST CHURCH	125.00
OLD FIELDS BAPTIST CHURCH	100.00
PHOENIX BAPTIST CHURCH	100.00
PLEASANT HOME	50.00
BEAVER CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH	100.00
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	$4266.08

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PAID OUT FOR BAPTIST SUMMER CAMP MAINTENANCE

JULY 1, 1997 THRU JUNE 30, 1998

BLUE RIDGE EMC	1706.15
SKYLINE TELEPHONE MEMB. CORP.	251.37
ANN ELDRETH	1110.00
HIGH COUNTRY IMPROVEMENTS	532.24
ASHE COUNTY BUILDERS SUPPLY	73.15
ROSES STORE #375	151.82
TRI-COUNTY PAVING	1462.37
BARR INSURANCE AGENCY	658.00
	$5945.10
BALANCE AS OF JULY 1, 1997	$5479.02
PLUS: DEPOSITS	4266.08
	$9745.10
LESS: PAID OUTS	5945.10
BALANCE AT JUNE 30, 1998	**$3800.00**

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Addendum I - ARTICLES OF FAITH
(The Baptist Faith and Message as adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1963)

Baptists are a people who profess a living faith. This faith is rooted and grounded in Jesus Christ who is "the same yesterday and today and forever." Therefore the sole authority for faith and practice among Baptists is Jesus Christ whose will is revealed in the Holy Scriptures.

A living faith must experience a growing understanding of truth and must be continually interpreted and related to the needs of each new generation. Through out their history Baptist bodies, both large and small, have issued statements of faith which comprise a consensus of their beliefs. Such statements have never been regarded as complete, infallible statements of faith, nor as official creeds carrying mandatory authority. Thus this generation of Southern Baptists is in historic succession of intent and purpose as it endeavors to state for its time and theological climate those articles of the Christian faith which are most surely held among us.

Baptists emphasize the soul's competency before God, freedom in religion, and the priesthood of the believer. However, this emphasis should not be interpreted to mean that there is an absence of certain doctrines that Baptists believe, cherish, and with which they have been and are now closely identified.

It is the purpose of this statement of faith and message to set forth certain teachings which we believe.

THE SCRIPTURES

The Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is the record of God's revelation of Himself to many. It is a perfect treasure of divine instruction. In has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter.

Ex. 24:4; Deut. 4:1-2; 17:19; Josh. 8:34; Psalm 19:7-10; 119: 11, 89; 105; 140. It reveals the principles by which God judges us; and therefore is, and will remain to the end of the world, the true center of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds, and religious opinions should be tried. The criterion by which the Bible is to be interpreted is Jesus Christ.

THE SCRIPTURES (continued)

Isa. 34:16; 40:8; Jer. 15:16; 36; Matt. 5:17-18; 22-29; Luke 21:33, 44-46; John 5:39; 16:13-15; 17:17; Acts 2:16 ff; 17:11; Rom. 15:4; 16: 25-26; 2 Tim. 3:15-17; Heb. 1:1-2; 4:12; I Peter 1:25; 2 Peter 1:25; 2 Peter 1:19-21.

GOD

There is one and only one living and true God. He is an intelligent, spiritual, and personal Being, the Creator, Redeemer, Preserver, and Ruler of the Universe. God is infinite in holiness and all other perfections. To Him we owe the highest love, reverence, and obedience. The eternal God reveals Himself to us a Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, with distinct personal attributes, but without division of nature, essence, or being.

GOD THE FATHER

God as Father reigns with providential care over his universe, His creatures and the flow of the stream of human history according to the purpose of His grace. He is all powerful, all loving, and all wise, God is Father in truth to those who become children of God through faith in Jesus Christ. He is fatherly in His attitude toward all men.

Gen. 1:1, 2:7; Ex. 3:14, 6:2-3, 15:11ff, 20:1ff; Lev. 22:2; Deut. 6:4, 32:6; I Chron. 29:10; Psalm 19:1-3; Isa. 43:3, 15, 64:8; Jer. 10:10, 17:3; Matt. 6:9 ff, 7:11, 23:9, 28:19; Mark 1:9-11; John 4:24, 5:26, 14:6-13, 17:1-8; Acts 1:7; Rom. 8:14-15; I Cor. 8:6; Gal. 4:6; Eph. 4:6; Col. 1:15; I Tim. 1:17; Heb. 11:6, 12:9; I Peter 1:17; I John 5:7.

GOD THE SON

Christ is the eternal Son of God. In His incarnation as Jesus Christ he was conceived of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. Jesus perfectly revealed and did the will of God, taking upon Himself the demands and necessities of human nature and identifying Himself completely yet without sin. He was raised from the dead with a glorified body and appeared to His disciples as the person who was with them before His crucifixion. He ascended

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into Heaven and is now exalted at the right hand of God where he is the One Mediator, partaking of the nature of God and of man and whose Person is effected the reconciliation between God and man. He will return in power and glory to judge the world and to consummate His redemptive mission. He now dwells in all believers as the living and ever present Lord.

Gen. 18:1 ff; Psalm 2:7ff, 110:1ff; Isa. 7:14; 53; Matt. 1:18-23; 3:17, 8:29, 11:27, 14:33, 16:16, 27, 17:5, 27, 28: 1-6,19; Mark 1:1, 3:11; Luke 1:35, 4:41, 22:70, 24:46; John 1:1-18, 29, 10:30, 38, 11:25-27, 12:44-50, 14:7-11, 16:15-16, 28, 17:1-5, 21-22, 20:1-20, 28; Acts 1:9, 2:22-24, 7:55-56, 9:4-5, 20; Rom. 1:3-4, 3:23-26, 5:6-21, 8:1-3, 34, 10:4; I Cor. 1:30, 2:2, 8:6, 15:1-8, 24-28; 2 Cor. 5:19-21; Gal. 4:4-5; Eph. 1:20, 3:11, 4:7-10; Phil. 2:5-11; Col. 1:13-22, 2:9; I Thes. 4:14-18; I Tim. 2:5-6, 3:16; Titus 2:13-14; Heb. 1:1-3, 4:14-15, 7:14-28, 9:12-15, 24-24, 12:2, 13:8; I Peter 2:21-25, 3: 22; I John 1:7-9, 3:2, 4:14-15, 5:9; II John 7-9; Rev. 1:13-16, 5:9-14, 12:10-11, 13:8, 19: 16.

GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God. He inspired holy men of old to write the scriptures. Through illumination He enables men to understand truth. He exalts Christ. He convicts of sin, of righteousness and of judgment. He calls men to the Savior, and effects regeneration. He cultivates Christian character, comforts believers. and bestows the spiritual gifts by which they serve God through His church. He seals the believers unto the day of final redemption. His presence in the Christian is the assurance of God to bring the believers into the fullness of the stature of Christ. He enlightens and empowers the believer and the church in worship, evangelism, and service.

Gen. 1:2; Judges 14:6; Job 26:13; Psalm 51:11; 139:7ff; Isa. 61:1-3; Joel 2:28-32; Matt. 1:18, 3:16, 4:1, 12:28-32, 28:19; Mark 1:10, 12, Luke 1:35, 4:1, 18-19, 11:13, 12:12, 24-49; John 4:24, 14:16-17, 26, 15:26, 16:7-14; Acts 1:8, 2:1-4, 38, 4:31, 5:3, 6:3, 7:55, 8:17, 39, 10:44, 13:2, 15:28, 16:6, 19:1-6; Rom. 8:9-11, 14-16, 26-27; I Cor. 2:10-14, 3:16, 12:3-11; Gal. 4:6; Eph. 1:13-14, 4:30, 5:18; I Thes. 5:19; I Tim. 3:16, 4:1; 2 Tim. 1:14, 3:16; Heb. 9:8, 14; 2 Peter 1:21; I John 4:13, 5:6-7; Rev. 1: 10, 22:17.

MEN

Man was created by the special act of God, in his own image, and is the crowning work of His creation. In the beginning man was innocent of sin and was endowed by His Creator with freedom of choice. By his free choice man sinned against God and brought sin into the human race. Through the temptation of Satan man transgressed the command of God, and fell from his original innocence; whereby his posterity inherit a nature and an environment inclined toward sin, and as soon as they are capable of moral action become transgressors and are under condemnation. Only the grace of God can bring man into His holy fellowship and enable man to fulfill the creative purpose of God. The sacredness of human personality is evident in that God created man in His own image, and in that Christ died for man; therefore, every man possesses dignity and is worthy of respect and Christian love.

Gen. 1:26-30, 2:5,7, 18-22, 3:6-9; Psalm 1; 8:3-6, 32:1-5, 51:5; Isa. 6:5; Jer. 17:5; Matt. 16:26; Acts 17:26-31; Rom. 1:19, 32, 3:10-18, 23, 5:6, 12, 19, 6:6, 7:14-18; I Cor. 1:21-31, 15:19, 21-22; Eph. 2:1-22, 3:9-11.

SALVATION

Salvation involves the redemption of the whole man, and is offered freely to all who accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, who by His own blood obtained eternal redemption for the believer. In its broadest sense salvation includes regeneration, sanctification, and glorification.

A. Regeneration, or the new birth, is a work of God's grace whereby believers become new creatures in Christ Jesus. It is a change of heart wrought by thee Holy Spirit through conviction of sin, to which the sinner responds in repentance toward God, and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Repentance and faith are inseparable experiences of grace. Repentance is a genuine turning from sin toward God. Faith is the acceptance of Jesus Christ and commitment of the entire personality to Him as Lord and Savior. Justification is God's gracious and full acquittal upon principles of His righteousness of all sinners who repent and believe in Christ. Justification brings the believer into a relationship for peace and favor with God.

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B. Sanctification is the experience, beginning in regeneration, by which the believer is set apart to God's purposes, and is enabled to progress toward moral and spiritual perfection through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit dwelling in him. Growth in grace should continue throughout the regenerate person's life.

C. Glorification is the culmination of salvation and is the final blessed and abiding state of the redeemed.

Gen. 3:15; Ex. 3:14-17, 6:2-8; Matt. 1:21, 4:17, 16:21-26, 27:22 to 28:6; Luke 1:68-69, 2: 28-32; John 1:11-14, 29, 3:3-21, 36, 5:24, 10:9, 28-29, 15:1-16, 17:17; Acts 2:21, 4:12, 15:11, 16:30-31, 17:30-31, 20:32; Rom. 1:16-19, 2:4, 3:23-25, 4:3ff, 5:8-10, 6:1-23, 8:1-18, 29-39, 10:9-10, 13, 13:11-14; I Cor. 1:18, 30, 6:19-20, 15:10; 2 Cor. 5:17-20; Gal. 2:20, 3:13, 5:22-25, 6:15; Eph. 1:7, 2:8-22, 4:11-16; Phil. 2:12-13; Col. 1:9-22, 3:1ff; I Thes. 5:23-24; 2 Tim. 1:12; Titus 2:11-14; Heb. 2:1-3, 5:8-9, 9:24-28, 11:1-12:8, 14; James 2:14-16; I Peter 1:2-23; I John 1:6 to 2:11; Rev. 3:21, 21:1 to 22:5.

GOD'S PURPOSE AND GRACE

Election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which He regenerates, sanctifies, and glorifies sinners. It is consistent with the free agency of man, and comprehends all the means in connection with the end. It is a glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, and is infinitely wise, holy, and unchangeable. It excludes boasting and promotes humility.

All true believers endure to the end. Those whom God has accepted in Christ, and sanctified by His Spirit, will never fall away from the state of grace, but shall persevere to the end. Believers may fall into sin through neglect and temptation, whereby they grieve the Spirit, impair their graces and comforts, bring reproach on the cause of Christ, and temporal judgments on themselves, yet they shall be kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

Gen. 12:1-3; Ex. 19:5-8; I Sam. 8:4-7, 19-22; Isa. 5:1-7; Jer. 31:31ff; Matt. 16:18-19, 21:28-45, 24:22, 31, 25:34; Luke 1:68-79, 2:29-32, 19:41-44, 24:44-48; John 1:12-14, 3:16, 5:24, 6:44-45, 65, 10:27-29, 15:16, 17:6, 12, 17-18; Acts 20:32; Rom. 5:9-10, 8:28-39,

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10: 12-15, 11:5-7, 26-36; I Cor. 1:1-2, 15:24-28; Eph. 1:4-23, 2:1-10, 3:1-11; Col. 1:12-14; 2 Thes. 2:13-14; 2 Tim. 1:12, 2:10, 19; Heb. 11:39-12:2; I Peter 1:2-5, 13, 2:4-10; I John 1:7-9, 2:19, 3:2

THE CHURCH

A New Testament church of the Lord Jesus Christ is a local body of baptized believers who are associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the gospel, observing the two ordinances of Christ, committed to His teachings, exercising the gifts, and privileges invested in them by His word, and seeking to extend the gospel to the ends of the earth.

This church is an autonomous body, operating through democratic processes under the Lordship of Jesus Christ. In such a congregation members are equally responsible. Its Scriptural officers are pastors and deacons.

The New Testament speaks also of the church as the body of Christ which includes all of the redeemed of all ages.

Matt. 16:15-19, 18:15-20; Acts 2:41-42, 47, 5:11-14, 6:3-6, 13:1-3, 14:23,27, 15:1-30, 16:5, 20:28; Rom. 1:7; I Cor. 1:2, 3:16, 5:4-5,7:17, 9:13-14; 12; Eph. 1:22-23, 2:19-22, 3:8-11, 21, 5:22-32; Phil. 1:1; Col. 1:18; I Tim. 3:1-15, 4:14; I Peter 5:1-4; Rev. 2-3, 21:2-3.

BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. It is an act of obedience obedience whereby members of the church through partaking of the bread and the fruit of the vine, memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming. symbolizing the believer's faith in a crucified, and risen Savior. the believer's death to sin, the burial of the old life, and in the resurrection to walk in newness of life in Christ Jesus. It is a testimony to his faith in the final resurrection of the dead. Being a church ordinance, it is prerequisite to the privilege of church membership and to the Lord's Supper.

The Lord's Supper is a symbolic act of obedience whereby members of the church through partaking of the bread and the fruit

of the vine, memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming.

Matt. 3:13-17, 26:26-30, 28:19-20; Mark 1:9-11, 14:22-26; Luke 3:21-22, 22:19-20; John 3:23; Acts 2:41-42, 8: 35-39, 16:30-33, 20:7; Rom. 6:3-5; I Cor. 10:16, 21, 11:23-29; Col. 2:12

THE LORD'S DAY

The first day of the week is the Lord's Day. It is a Christian institution for regular observance. It commemorates the resurrection of Christ from the dead and should be employed in exercises of worship and spiritual devotion, both public and private, and by refraining from worldly amusements, and resting from secular employment, work of necessity and mercy only being excepted.

Ex. 20:8-11; Matt. 12:1-12, 28:1 ff, Mark 2:27-28, 16:1-7; Luke 24:1-3, 33-36; John 4:21-24, 20:1, 19-28; Acts 20:7; I Cor. 16:1-2; Col. 2:16, 3:16; Rev. 1:10.

THE KINGDOM

The Kingdom of God includes, both His general sovereignty over the universe and His particular kingship over men who willfully acknowledge Him as King. Particularly the Kingdom is the realm of salvation into which men enter by trustful, childlike, commitment to Jesus Christ. Christians ought to pray and to labor that the Kingdom may come and God's will be done on earth. The full consummation of the Kingdom awaits the return of Jesus Christ and the end of this age.

Gen. 1:1; Isa. 9:6-7; Jer. 23:5-6; Matt. 3:2, 4:8-10, 23, 12:25-28, 13:1-52, 25:31-46, 26:29; Mark 1:14-15, 9:1; Luke 4: 43, 8:1, 9:2, 12:31-32, 17:20-21, 23:42; John 3:3, 18-36; Acts 1:6-7, 17:22-31; Rom. 5:17, 8:19; I Cor. 15:24-28; Col. 1:13; Heb. 11:10,16, 12:28; I Peter 2:4-10, 4:13; Rev. 1:6,9, 5:10, 11:15, 21-22

LAST THINGS

God, in His own time and in His own way, will bring the world to its appropriate end. According to His promise, Jesus Christ will

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return personally and visibly in glory to the earth; the dead will be raised; and Christ will judge all men in righteousness. The unrighteous will be consigned to Hell, the place of everlasting punishment. The righteous in their resurrected and glorified bodies will receive their reward and will dwell forever in Heaven with the Lord.

Isa. 2:4, 11:9; Matt. 16:27, 18: 8-9, 19: 28, 24:27, 30, 36, 44, 25:31-46, 26:64; Mark 8:38, 9:43-48; Lk. 12:40, 48, 16:19-26, 17:22-37, 21:27-28; John 14:1-3; Acts 1:11, 17:31; Rom. 14:10; I Cor. 4:5, 15:24-28, 35-58; 2 Cor. 5:10: Phil. 3:20-21; Col. 1:5; 3:4; I Thes. 4:14-18, 5:1ff, 2 Thes. 1:7ff; 2; I, Tim. 6:14; 2 Tim. 4:1, 8; Titus 2:13; Heb. 9:27-28; James 5:8; 2 Peter 3:7ff, I John 2:28, 3:2; Jude 14; Rev. 1:18, 3:11, 20:1 to 22:13.

EVANGELISM AND MISSIONS

It is the duty and privilege of every follower of Christ and of every church of the Lord Jesus Christ to endeavor to make disciples of all nations. The new birth of man's spirit by God's Holy Spirit means the birth of love for others. Missionary efforts on the part of all rests upon a spiritual necessity of the regenerate life, and is expressly and repeatedly commanded in the teachings of Christ. It is the duty of every child of God to seek constantly to win the lost to Christ by personal effort and by all other methods in harmony with the gospel of Christ.

Gen. 12:1-3; Ex. 19:5-6; Isa. 6:1-8; Matt. 9:37-38, 10:5-15, 13:18-30, 37-43, 16:19, 22:9-10, 24:14, 28:18-20; Luke 10:1-18, 24:46-53; John 14:11-12, 15:7-8, 16, 17:15, 20:21; Acts 1:8; 2; 8:26-40, 10:42-48, 13:2-3; Rom. 10:13-15; Eph.3:1-11; I Thes. 1:8; 2 Tim. 4:5; Heb. 2:1-3, 11:39 to 12:2; I Peter 2:4-10; Rev. 22:17

EDUCATION

The cause of education in the Kingdom of Christ is coordinate with the causes of missions and general benevolence, and should receive along with these the liberal support of the churches. An adequate system of Christian schools is necessary to a complete spiritual program for Christ's people.

In Christian education there should be a proper balance be

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tween academic freedom and academic responsibility. Freedom in any orderly relationship of human life is always limited and never absolute. The freedom of a teacher on a Christian school, college, or seminary is limited by the preeminence of Jesus Christ, by the authoritative nature of the Scriptures, and by the distinct purpose for which the school exists.

Deut. 4:1, 5, 9, 14, 6:1-10, 31:12-13; Neh. 8:1-8; Job 28:28; Psalm 19:7 ff, 119:11; Prov. 3:13 ff, 4:1-10, 8:1-7, 11, 15:14; Ecc. 7:19; Matt. 5:2, 7:24 ff, 28:19-20; Luke 2:40; I Cor. 1:18-31; Eph. 4:11-16; Phil. 4:8; Col. 2:3, 8-9; I Tim. 1:3-7; 2 Tim. 2:15, 3:14-17; Heb. 5:12 to 6:3; James 1:5, 3:17

STEWARDSHIP

God is the source of all blessings, temporal and spiritual; all that we have and are we owe to Him. Christians have a spiritual debtorship to the whole world, a trusteeship in the gospel, and a binding stewardship in their possessions. They are therefore under obligation to serve Him with their time, talents, and material possessions; and should recognize all these as entrusted to them to use for the glory of God and for helping others. According to the Scriptures, Christians should contribute of their means cheerfully, regularly, systematically, proportionately, and Him. Christians have a spiritual debtorship to the whole world, a trusteeship in the gospel, and a binding stewardship in their possessions. They are therefore under obligation to serve Him with their time, talents, and material possessions; and should recognize all these as entrusted to them to use for the glory of God and for helping others. According to the Scriptures, Christians should contribute of their means cheerfully, regularly, systematically, proportionately, and liberally for the advancement of the Redeemer's cause on earth.

Gen. 14:20; Lev. 27:30-32; Deut. 8:18; Mal. 3:8-12; Matt. 6:1-4, 19-21, 23:23, 25:14-29; Luke 12:16-21, 42, 16:1-13; Acts 2:44-47, 5:1-11, 17:24-25; Rom. 6:6-22, 12:1-2; I Cor. 4:1-2, 6:19-20; 12; 16:1-4; 2 Cor. 8-9, 12:15; Phil. 4:10-19; I Peter 1:18-19

COOPERATION

Christ's people should, as occasion requires, organize such associations and conventions as may best secure cooperation for the great objects of the Kingdom of God. Such organizations have no authority over one another or over the churches. They are voluntary and advisory bodies designed to elicit, combine, and direct the energies of our people in the most effective manner. Members of New Testament churches should cooperate with one another in carrying forward the missionary, educational, and benevolent ministries for the extension of Christ's Kingdom. Christian unity in the New Testament sense is spiritual harmony and voluntary cooperation for common ends by various groups of Christ's people. Cooperation is desirable between the various Christian denominations, when the end to be attained is itself justified, and when such cooperation involves no violation of conscience or compromise of loyalty to Christ and His Word as revealed in the New Testament.

Ex. 17:12, 18:17 ff; Judges 7:21; Ezra 1:3-4, 2:68-69, 5:14-15; Neh. 4; 8: 1-5; Matt. 10: 5-15, 20:1-16, 22:1-10, 28:19-20; Mark 2:3; Luke 10:1 ff; Acts 1:13-14, 2:1 ff, 4: 31-37, 13:2-3, 15: 1-35; I Cor. 1:10-17, 3:5-15; 12; 2 Cor. 8-9; Gal. 1:6-10; Eph. 4:1-16; Phil. 1:15-18

THE CHRISTIAN AND THE SOCIAL ORDER

Every Christian is under obligation to seek to make the will of Christ supreme in his own life and in human society. Means and methods used for the improvement of society and the establishment of righteousness among men can be truly and permanently helpful only when they are rooted in the regeneration of the individual by the saving grace of God in Christ Jesus. The Christian should oppose in the Spirit of Christ every form of greed, selfishness, and vice. He should work to provide for the orphaned, the needy, the aged, the helpless and the sick. Every Christian should seek to bring industry, government, and society as a whole under he sway of the principles of righteousness, truth and brotherly love. In order to promote these ends Christians should be ready to work with all men of good will in any good cause always being careful to act in the spirit of love without compromising their loyalty to Christ and His truth.

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Ex. 20:3-17; Lev. 6:2-5; Deut. 10:12, 27:17; Psalm 101:5; Micah 6:8; Zech. 8:16; Matt. 5:13-16, 43-48, 22:36-40, 25:35; Mark 1:29-34, 2:3 ff, 10:21; Luke 4:18-21, 10:27-37, 20-25; John 15:12, 17:15; Rom. 12-14; I Cor. 5:9-10, 6:1-7, 7:20-24, 10:23 to 11:1; Gal. 3:26-28; Eph. 6:5-9; Col. 3:12-17; I Thes. 3:12; Philemon; James 1:27, 2:8

PEACE AND WAR

It is the duty of Christians to seek peace with all men on principles of righteousness. In accordance with the spirit and teachings of Christ they should do all in their power to put an end to war. The true remedy for the war spirit is the gospel of our Lord. The supreme need of the world is the acceptance of His teachings in all the affairs of men and nations, and the practical application of His law of love.

Isa. 2:4; Matt. 5:9, 38-48, 6:33, 26:52; Luke 22:36, 38; Rom. 12:18-19, 13: 1-7, 14:19; Heb. 12:14; James 4:1-2

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

God alone is Lord of the conscience, and He has left it free from the doctrines and commandments of men which are contrary to His Word or not contained in it. Church and state should be separate. The state owes to every church protection and full freedom in the pursuit of its spiritual ends. In providing for such freedom no ecclesiastical group or denomination should be favored by the state more than others. Civil government being ordained of God, it is the duty of Christians to render loyal obedience thereto in all things not contrary to the revealed will of God. The church should not resort to the civil power to carry on its work. The Gospel of Christ contemplates spiritual means alone for the pursuit of its ends. The state has no right to impose penalties for religious opinions of any kind. The state has no right to impose taxes for the support of any form of religion. A free church in a free state is the Christian ideal, and this implies the right of free and unhindered access to God on the part of all men, and the right to form and prop-agate opinions in the sphere of religion without interference by the civil power.

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Gen. 1:27, 2:7; Matt. 6:6-7, 24, 16:26, 22:21; John 8:36; Acts 4:19-20; Rom. 6:1-2, 13:1-7; Gal. 5:1, 13; Phil. 3:20; I Tim. 2:1-2; James 4:12; I Peter 2:12-17, 3:11-17, 4:12-19

RULES OF ORDER

1. Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak, he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than once on any subject except by permission of the body..

5. It shall be counted disorderly for any member to stand up, leave the house, or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
PREAMBLE

For the purpose of preserving, propagating, and making articulate the principles of our faith and to the end that this body of cooperating churches may be governed in an orderly manner, consistent with the accepted tenets of associations of Missionary Baptist Churches, for the purpose of preserving the liberties inherent in each individual church, and in order to set forth the relationship of this body to other Baptist bodies, we do adopt and establish this Constitution.

Article I - Name and Membership

Section 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Missionary Baptist Association.

Section 2. This Association shall consist of all Missionary Baptist Churches in Ashe County, and communities closely adjacent thereto, of like faith and practice, who wish to affiliate with this Association and are loyal to the faith and practice of the Missionary Baptist Denomination.

Section 3. The membership of this body shall be the pastor and three (3) messengers from each church. A letter certifying their appointment and giving the statistics of the membership and work of the church shall be sent to the Associational office at least twenty (20) days before the opening session of the annual meeting.

Section 4. Any church reported to be irregular in faith or practice may be investigated by order of the Association and such action taken, as may be decided by the Association.

Section 5. The Association shall be sole judge of its membership and may receive churches according to the Association's Constitution and By-Laws. Any church in the Association which fails to cooperate with the Association for two consecutive years shall be contacted by the Executive Committee to ascertain the wishes and desires of the church relative to its continuance in the Association.

Article 1 - Name and Membership (continued)

A Cooperating church should be defined as one which sends a report (church letter) to the annual session, is represented (by messengers) at the annual session, represented (by Executive Committee members) at the regularly scheduled Executive Committee meetings, contributes to the financial program of the Association, and is in general sympathy with the purposes of the Association. The Association recognizes that any affiliated church has the right to withdraw its fellowship from the Association.

Article II - Purpose

Section 1. The purpose of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches of the Association in devising and promoting measures and programs for the spread of the gospel in our bounds and in all the world, in compliance with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the Southern Baptist Convention.

Article III - Annual Church Letters (Annual Church Profile)

Section 1. The churches shall report annually statistical and general information upon a printed form furnished by the Associational office. The printed form shall be furnished to the church at least six weeks before the convening of an annual session of the Association and returned to the Associational office at least twenty (20) days before the opening session of the annual meeting.

Article IV - Officers and their Duties

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Associational Missionary, and the heads of such organizations as are set up and approved by the Association. The offices of Clerk and Treasurer may be the same person, at the discretion of the body.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Moderator of the Association (Vice-Moderator in his absence or disability) to preside over the

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

annual sessions and all special sessions, including the meetings of the Executive Committee. As the presiding officer, he shall open the meetings punctually at the appointed time, enforce the rules, preserve the order, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage. He shall name the committees and representatives of Institutions and agencies described in Sections 5, 6, and 8 of Article V of the Constitution at the opening of the annual session. He shall be elected for a one year term, and he cannot succeed himself after the second consecutive term.

Section 3. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of all proceedings of the Executive committee meetings, annual meetings, and make such available to the body and the Associational Missionary for printing and distribution.

Section 4. The treasurer shall have charge of all Associational funds as the Association may direct and make a report of receipts and disbursements at each annual meeting.

Section 5. (1) The Associational Missionary shall be elected upon a recommendation of the Committee on Missions, and by a vote of the Association at a regular scheduled meeting. The relationship between the Association and its Associational Missionary may be terminated following a reasonable notice of not less than 30 days.

(2) The Associational Missionary shall promote the work and witness of the Association and denomination, cooperating with the churches, their pastors and officers and Associational committees and organizations.

A. He shall be responsible for planning, promoting and executing the ministry of the Association in cooperation with the Committee on Missions.
B. He shall make an annual report to the Association at the August meeting.

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

C. He shall be ex-officio member of all committees of the Association, serving in an advisory and/or resource capacity.

D. He shall seek to visit each church in the Association in order to:
   (1) Enrich Christian fellowship among churches.
   (2) Encourage and strengthen the ministry of the churches.
   (3) Enhance the cooperative relationship between the churches and the Association.

E. He shall, when necessary, conduct surveys or inquiries, in order to determine specific needs for ministry with the area of the Association.

F. He shall, upon request, provide a list of qualified persons who may be considered by churches seeking pastors.

G. He shall have full administrative responsibility for all personnel employed by the Association.

H. **Strengthen Program Organizations**
   (1) Promote evangelism and church growth through total church organizations. Provide needed helps to enable churches to become better equipped in areas of church ministry.

I. **Promote Missions**
   (1) Encourage and lead in mission commitment of member churches utilizing Bold Mission Thrust Plans, by creating awareness to mission opportunities, new work, and by assisting in the development of church mission development programs, church extension, language missions, Christian social ministries, chaplaincy ministries, interfaith witness and special mission ministries.

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

(2) Give high priority to reaching the many unreached Hispanics through existing churches and in new work.

J. Develop Leadership

(1) Encourage and provide support for development and improvement in areas of church, ministry, dealing with crisis times, leadership, and supervision skills, etc. Approaches will include family ministry, seminary extensions, workshops and conferences for church secretaries, church clerks (Uniform Church Letter), non-salaried and salaried leaders, music workshops, pastors' retreats, and ethnic leadership development.

K. Nurture Fellowship

(1) Nurture fellowship among member churches.

(3) The Associational Missionary is entitled to two weeks vacation annually. Upon completion of five years service, the Associational Missionary shall be entitled to three weeks annual vacation, and after ten years, four weeks annual vacation. Vacation is to be taken within the calendar year, and it is not accumulative.

(4) Should there occur at any time a grievance on the part of the Association of the Associational Missionary, either party may consult with the Moderator and Chairman of the Missions Committee.

Section 6. The officers of the other organizations within the Association shall be nominated by their respective organizations and their names furnished, and presented to the Association for action at each annual session.

Section 7. The officers designated in Section 1, the Associational Missionary excepted, shall be elected at the morning session of

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

the first day of the annual meeting and shall assume their duties at the close of the annual meeting, at which they are elected, and serve until the close of the next session.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties

Section 1. The committees of the Association shall be: Executive Committee, Committee on New Churches, Program Committee, Committee on Place and Preacher, Resolutions Committee, Missions Committee, Nominating Committee, and such other committees as the Association may designate and name at any annual session. All committee members will serve for a period of three (3) years. Initially each committee will, with the consent of each member, designate which committee member will serve the three (3) year, two (2) year, and one (1) year term. After the completion of a term, no member shall be eligible for re-election to the committee until after the lapse of one year.

Section 2. The Associational Executive Committee shall be composed of one lay member of all churches, the pastors of such churches, and the officers of the Association, as listed under Section 1 of Article IV. Twelve members of this committee shall constitute a quorum to transact business, after notice of such meeting has been mailed, or otherwise given to all members of the committee at least three days prior to the proposed meeting. Members of this committee shall be elected by the churches annually.

Section 3. The Committee on Organized Churches shall consist of the Moderator, ex officio, three pastors, and three lay-persons. This committee shall be responsible for receiving letters of application for membership into the Association by organized Missionary Baptist Churches. This committee's responsibility shall be to communicate to applying churches the requirements of a cooperating church, as herein defined in Article I, section 5, paragraph 2 of the Ashe Baptist Association Constitution. Applying churches, upon recommendation of this committee, shall, with approval of the messengers at the annual session, serve one year under watch

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

care of the Association. This committee shall work with this church during this period and then make final recommendations at the next annual meeting.

Section 4. The Program Committee shall consist of five members who shall prepare an order of business for the annual meeting, including the designating of persons to make reports as to the various objects supported by the Churches of the Association. The Associational office shall prepare copies of the same for distribution to those attending the annual sessions of the Association.

Section 5. The Committee on Place and Preacher shall consist of three members, who may be appointed by the Moderator, with consent of the Association. At each annual session, this Committee shall recommend to the Association a place, or places, for the holding of the annual meeting of the Association, and shall designate a minister to deliver the Associational sermon and an alternate.

Section 6. The Resolutions Committee shall consist of three members to be appointed by the Moderator. This Committee shall prepare and submit to the Association such resolutions as it may consider pertinent and proper for the good of the body.

Section 7. The Nominating Committee shall name a Nominating Committee of five (5) members who shall bring to the second Executive Committee of the calendar year, (which is normally in April), for election of the following nominations: Clerk, Youth Director, Brotherhood Director, Discipleship Training Director, Evangelism Chairperson, Moderator, Music Director, Seminary Extension Director, Sunday School Director, and others who are invited to receive training at the Key Leadership Conference by the Baptist State Convention, (which is normally in May).

This Committee shall also present at the annual meeting for election all of the other committee members which are covered herein. Organizational heads will be named by their respective organizations and presented to the Nominating Committee at least two weeks before their nominations are presented to the Executive

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

Committee at their second meeting, (which is normally in April).

If the organizations do not present their respective organizational heads two weeks prior to the April Executive Committee, then the Nominating Committee will select those needed and present their names to the second Executive Committee meeting (normally in April). The chairman of the Nominating Committee will contact these organizational heads before making these selections to be sure they have not already selected someone.

All other nominations shall be presented and elected on the first day of the annual meeting of the Association. All nominations at the Executive Committee meeting and the annual meeting are subject to additional nominations from the floor, and the expressed will of the Association.

Section 8. The Moderator is authorized and directed to appoint suitable persons at each session to prepare and present to the next session reports on the various subjects and causes customary to be presented and to notify such persons in due time before the meeting of the Association. (Refer to Article IV, Section 2.)

Section 9. The Board of Directors of the Ashe Baptist Summer Camp shall consist of nine members who shall initially be chosen, three (3) for one year, three (3) for two years, and three (3) for three years.

Of the said members, three shall be active pastors in the Association. After the completion of one term, no member shall be eligible for re-election to this board until after the lapse of one year. No more than one member of this board shall be chosen from any one church of the Association. The treasurer of the Ashe Baptist Summer Camp, (who shall serve in addition to the nine member Board of Directors), shall be elected by the Board of Directors on an indefinite basis. He/She shall have voting privileges as do other members.

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to cooperate with the officials, pastors, and Executive Committee of the Association in promoting and advancing the development and operation of the camp; to supervise and direct the work of the camp; and to make a report to the Association at each annual meeting. Vacancies

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

occurring in this organization shall be filled in accordance with the provision of Section 7 thereof.

Section 10. The Mission Committee shall consist of seven (7) members, five (5) of which shall be heads of the following organizations: Sunday School, Discipleship Training, Brotherhood, WMU and Church Music. The names of these five (5) shall be submitted to the Associational Nominating Committee by their respective organizations and voted on by the full body on the first day of the annual meeting. The other two (2) members shall be active pastors in the Association and they shall be named by the Associational Nominating Committee. They too shall be elected along with the organizational heads. Should any of the before mentioned organizations fail to submit the name of a person nominated by themselves to serve as head of that organization, then the Associational Nominating Committee shall be responsible for nominating that person.

These seven (7) people shall constitute the Associational Missionary Search Committee, when such a need arises. This Committee shall work with the Associational Missionary in promoting the work of the Association and lead and assist in determining need for beginning new missions stations and organizing new churches. The Moderator and Associational Missionary shall be ex officio members of this committee.

Section 11. The Ordination Committee shall consist of five (5) members, all of whom must be ordained ministers, meeting the qualifications as stated in I Timothy 3:1-7, and who are members of cooperating churches of the Ashe Baptist Association. The Chairman, at his discretion, may invite the pastor of a candidate to sit with the committee. Churches of the Association desiring to ordain a preacher to the Gospel ministry, and desiring to use the services of the Ordination Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association, shall use the following procedure.

1. The Church in conference shall vote to ask the Ordination Committee to examine the candidate and so notify the chairman.
2. The candidate shall meet the following conditions

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

before ordination:

(a) Hold membership in a cooperating Missionary Baptist church.

(b) Shall have held a license to preach, issued by a cooperating Missionary Baptist Church for not less than six months.

3. The chairman shall set a suitable time and place, notifying the members, for the examination.
4. The candidate shall be examined as to his conversion, call to the ministry, doctrinal beliefs, and attitude toward our denomination and its programs.
5. The Committee Chairman shall notify the church of its recommendations and they may proceed with the ordination.

Section 12. The Evangelism Committee, composed of 5 members, shall promote the work of Evangelism in the churches and the Association in cooperation with the State Department of Evangelism. All plans and programs are to be subject to the approval of the Association, or its Executive Committee.

Section 13. The Nominating Committee shall nominate a Committee on Constitution and By-Laws consisting of five members, of which the first named shall serve as chairman. It shall be the duty of this committee to receive, examine and make recommendations to the Association on all proposed amendments to the Constitution or the By-Laws.

Section 14. The Nominating Committee shall nominate a Properties Committee, which shall consist of three members, and shall have the responsibility of recommending the purchase of necessary property, and the construction of necessary buildings. This Committee shall recommend any repairs and improvements needed on Associational property beyond normal repair. All recommendations are subject to approval by the Executive Committee between sessions or the full-body session.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

Section 15. The Committee on Finance, composed of five (5) members and the treasurer, shall study the Association's financial needs for an adequate program, prepare and present a budget to the Association for the following year, devise and develop plans for securing the cooperation of churches in providing funds to meet the budget. The treasurer will submit a complete financial report at the annual meeting in August.

Section 16. The Committee on Youth shall be composed of at least nine (9) members, three (3) of whom shall be ministers. The Chairman, also called "Youth Director," shall be selected from within their own ranks. The Committee shall be concerned with ways of relating youth to the churches of the Association and shall lead the Churches and Association to plan programs and activities that will meet their needs.

Section 17. The Seminary Extension Committee, composed of five (5) members, shall work with the chairman of the Committee to plan, promote and implement the offering of such courses of study as will meet the needs of pastors and lay-persons in the areas of Biblical studies, historical theology, Baptist life, church administration, Christian education, and pastoral training.

Section 18. There shall be five (5) trustees of the Association. They shall handle all legal matters of the Association under the direction of the said Association. Trustees shall be elected for an indefinite term and shall serve at the pleasure of the Association.

Section 19. The Associational Historian, in his/her sole discretion, shall collect facts of interest to the Association and the cooperating churches, and shall make a report to each annual session of the Association. In addition, he/she shall contact hosting churches of the annual meeting and request a brief history of each church for publication in the Book of Reports and the Associational Annual.

Article VI
Meetings and Reports

Section 1. The Association shall hold an annual meeting conven-

ing in the month of August of each year, at such time and place as may be designated or authorized by the previous session.

Section 2. Each organization within the Association shall make a written report to the Association at each annual meeting.

Section 3. A special session of the Association may be called by the Moderator with the approval of the Executive Committee.

Section 4. The Associational Executive Committee shall meet quarterly.

Article VII
Order of Religious Exercises

Section 1. At the annual meeting the Associational Sermon shall be delivered as herein before provided.

Section 2. In addition to the Associational Sermon, the Program Committee shall designate a minister to deliver at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while such sermons are being delivered. No sermon shall be scheduled so as to conflict or interfere with the business sessions of the Association or the presentation of reports to the Association.

Article VIII
Amendments

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present, and voting on the second day, provided that such amendment is presented in writing on the first day, or that notice of such amendment shall have been given during the previous annual session.

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1. We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three Persons in the God-head; the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.
2. We believe that the Bible, the Old and New Testament, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.
3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.
4. We believe that Salvation is by Grace through Faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.
5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.
6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.
7. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace and Glory.
8. We believe in a separate resurrection and judgment, both for the righteous, and unrighteous dead.
9. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, and on profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now, in the presence of God, angels and the assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into this covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness and comfort to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain worship, ordinances, discipleship and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church and the relief of the poor; and the spread of the Gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealing, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger, to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense but always ready for reconciliation; and mindful of the rule of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.

Making Life for Older Adults...

The Best of Times

Treasures Old and New

In concluding a series of parables related to the wise use of God's gifts, Jesus ended with these words, *"Every scribe which is instructed unto the Kingdom of heaven, is like unto a man that is a householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure things new and old," Matthew 13:52.*

During this past year God has enriched Baptist Retirement Homes with special treasures.

Treasures Old

THE TREASURE OF OUR NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST FAMILY - Our 500 residents plus all the staff who make up the Baptist Retirement Homes part of the family, say, "Thank You", to the rest of our North Carolina Baptist family.

Thank you for giving so generously through the Cooperative Program and through the North Carolina Offering for Older Adults enabling Baptist Retirement Homes to lead the way for the state of North Carolina in providing benevolent care for Older Adults. Every dollar that comes through these channels is designated to provide care for the "poor elderly."

THE TREASURE OF OUR BAPTIST VOLUNTEERS -These volunteers range from a W.M.U. group that provides regular monthly programs plus special activities such as ice-cream socials at The Taylor House in Albemarle, to a friend who spends hours each week giving manicures at The Hamilton Baptist Home in Hamilton, to a B.S.U. group that provides a weekly program at the Prince Nursing Care Center at the Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston Salem, to a preschool day care class that comes twice a month to visit their "grandfriends" at the Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville

Treasures New

TAYLOR GLEN RETIREMENT COMMUNITY IN CONCORD - For more than a decade Baptist Retirement Homes has been dreaming with North Carolina Baptists of the Cabarrus / Mecklenburg / Rowan / Stanly area about providing quality residential and health care living opportunities and services to Older Adults. Because of the encouragement given by Baptists of the area, and as a result of the philanthropy of Cabarrus County natives, Carrol and Geneva Taylor, this dream will soon be a reality.

FIVE NEW TWO BEDROOM APARTMENTS AT BROOKRIDGE - These apartments are nearing completion as an addition to the Main Building at the Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston Salem. Bringing the total number of independent living apartments to 146.

RESIDENTIAL UNITS FOR MEMORY IMPAIRED - Special units for those Older Adults dealing with dementia related conditions such as Alzheimer's Disease, will be developed at the Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville and the Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston Salem. In Asheville the unit will be created via a significant renovation within the current home. In Winston Salem new construction will be required.

This report is sent with heartfelt gratitude for your prayers, your deeds of kindness and your gifts enabling us to make life for North Carolina Baptist Older Adults...*The Best of Times!*

William B. Stillerman
Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina, Inc

Council on Christian Higher Education

Baptist State Convention of North Carolina
1998

Chowan College 1848	**Campbell University** 1887	**Gardner-Webb University** 1905	**Mars Hill College** 1856
Meredith College 1891	**Wake Forest University** 1834	**Wingate University** 1896	

The Council on Christian Higher Education was founded by the Convention in 1944. It was established to assist colleges and churches within the Convention. The Council does not exercise any authority over the Baptist colleges. The competent leadership of trustees, administrators, and faculty guide them as they fulfill their missions. It does, however, study and recommend to the General Board in matters related to Baptist colleges and the Baptist State Convention.

Four men have led the Council as its Executive Director. Claude Gaddy served as the Council's founding leader. Harold Cole served briefly. Ben Fisher succeeded him. T. Robert Mullinax joined the Council in 1971. Mullinax retired this year from the post he has faithfully guided for 27 years.

The Council and Executive Committee of the General Board invited Wayne D. Wike to become the Council's fifth leader. Wike comes to his post from the pastorate. He has served four North Carolina churches as pastor.

He and his wife, Debbie, are alumni of Gardner-Webb University. In addition, he is a graduate of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and Union Theological Seminary.

Wike has already served North Carolina Baptists in a number of ways. He served on the Committee on Committees, Chaired the Committee on Nominations, and Chaired the General Board Membership Study Committee.

Council members have greatly assisted each one of these leaders through the years. The college presidents, provosts, and chairmen of Boards of Trustees, along with an equal number of General Board members, serve as members of the Council.

The strength of the Council lies in its voluntary concept of community rather than competition. The Council has proven to be a mediating influence in relating the colleges to each other, to the church, and to the Convention.

The Council is currently involved in strategy planning. It is seeking to prepare for the new millenium. The future holds great promise. The Council and its member colleges want to be prepared for it. The Baptist churches in North Carolina will benefit as a result.

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Campbell University

Norman A. Wiggins, President

- Opened January 5, 1887 as Buies Creek Academy
- Became Campbell University on June 6, 1979. School of Pharmacy and School of Education founded in 1985. School of Divinity founded in 1995.

Campus Representative: Jerry Wood (910-893-1219)

Chowan College

Stanley G. Lott, President

- Founded and opened for students as Chowan Female Institute, October 11, 1848.
- Became Chowan College on May 17, 1910.

Campus Representative: Hargus Taylor (252-398-6321)

Gardner-Webb University

M. Christopher White, President

- First charted as Boiling Springs High School, December 2, 1905.
- Became Gardner-Webb University on January 1, 1993, and opened the School of Divinity, Fall 1993.

Campus Representative: Bruce Rabon (704-434-4256)

Mars Hill College

A. Max Lennon, President

- First commencement as French Broad Baptist Institute, July 4, 1856.
- Chartered as Mars Hill College, February 16, 1859.
- Began a senior college program in 1962.

Campus Representative: Paula Clayton Dempsey (704-689-1128)

Meredith College

John E. Weems, President

- Incorporated as Baptist Female University of NC, February 27, 1891
- Became Meredith College by legislative enactment, January 24, 1911.

Campus Representative: Sam Carothers (919-760-8346)

Wake Forest University

Thomas K. Hearn, President

- Opened as Wake Forest Institute, February 3, 1834.
- Became Wake Forest University, June 12, 1967.

Campus Representative: Lynn Parker (336-758-5225)

Wingate University

Jerry E. McGee, President

- Authorized as Wingate School of Union Baptist Association, 1895. Opened 1896; chartered 1897.
- Became Wingate University in 1995.

Campus Representative: Bill Nash (704-233-8241)

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

THE BIBLICAL RECORDER

Associational Report--1998

"A democracy can only survive and flourish as a nation of readers," says Daniel J. Boorstin, a Pulitzer Prize-winning historian and former Librarian of Congress.

He is correct! Thomas Jefferson said the purest form of democracy he had ever seen was Baptist churches. We Baptists cherish our soul-liberty, and its corporate corollary--the autonomy of the local church.

But Baptists will never preserve their democratic form of decision-making if they are not properly informed. A democracy demands an informed constituency, whether they like the news or not!

The Biblical Recorder tries to tell the whole story with a focus on the many positive things people are doing in their churches and world missions, along with the crucial issues which cannot be concealed and ignored if we honor our heritage from yesterday and fulfill our mission for tomorrow.

There is no way to address these issues without correct and reliable information. The Biblical Recorder was born and continues to serve for that purpose. In the 165 years of state Baptist papers in North Carolina, never was the Recorder more needed than now for people to have the truth.

Because people are reading less than any time in recent history at the very time there is an increased number of publications and periodicals, the Recorder has kept pace with the state-of-the-art in print media, and entered the world of electronic communications with an attractive and effective Web site. The Web site address is: http://www.biblicalrecorder.org.

The Recorder Web site was officially launched in September 1997. The number of persons using the Web site has grown substantially. Each month there are 15-18,000 hits from around the world, literally--from Asia, Africa, Europe, South America, the Pacific Rim, even Australia! In the United States, people from several states regularly use the Recorder as their source of dependable Baptist information.

The Biblical Recorder should be in every Baptist home in North Carolina. Your support as a subscriber and reader, coupled with your encouragement to others, will enable the paper to better serve the constituency with accurate and helpful information.

In order to save churches large amounts of money and to increase the readership of the Recorder, Church News Service (CNS) was launched in 1990. This system lets any congregation have their church news incorporated into the Biblical Recorder which saves staff time, postage and printing costs. Usually, for less than what it costs to produce the church newsletter, CNS gives the entire Baptist communication package to each family in the congregation.

The paper deliberately focuses more attention on North Carolina Baptists with news, features and inspirational articles which will encourage individuals and churches in their witness and ministry.

That is why the Recorder was born; that is why it serves today. For more information on how your church can subscribe or use CNS, contact:

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ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONAL YOUTH COUNCIL

The Youth Council has had an exciting year this year and we want to praise God for what He has done and for what He has given us the ability to do.

The Council had an opportunity to become involved with the Power Team Crusade this year and is very thankful for this.

During this crusade, many people made commitments to God by professions of faith and re-dedications. We can never give enough praise to God for His life changing love He so freely gives.

The Youth Council has several plans for this next year and we ask that you continue to pray for us as we seek God's will in all that we do.

I would like to thank all the members of the Council for their time and effort that they have given so freely to God's work.

Respectfully submitted,

Karlton Yearick, Chairman

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

MEDICAL MISSIONS MINISTRY OF ASHE

This has been a rewarding year for participants in the migrant clinic. The vagabond group of medical providers has moved between Jefferson United Methodist Church and Bald Mountain Church on the second and fourth Sunday of each month. We serve on average 12 to 25 people each month, with more people coming in the later summer and fall months. Typical reasons for visits include respiratory and gastrointestinal ailments; we recently even diagnosed a healthy pregnancy in a young lady after several weeks of "indigestion"!

We were fortunate to have the Dental Bus from the NC Baptist State organization come last spring that served over 50 people. The bus will come again in October, and we hope to reach even more people.

The most recent development and more importantly, the migrating migrant clinic has found a permanent home. On Sunday August 9, we held our first clinic session in the new Hispanic Church in West Jefferson. The experience was terrific; quite similar for me to the clinics we held in Ukraine. The main similarity for me was the total immersion in another culture, treating people who are truly appreciative of the assistance we have to offer. It was better than Ukraine in the fact that I came home to my loving family, a hot shower, indoor toilet and a comfortable bed! My oldest son, Adam, (8 years old) accompanied, me just to see what was going on. He had a great time and can't wait to return for the next clinic session.

If reading about our progress has piqued your interest in doing true missionary work in your own backyard, I encourage you to make the move to participate. We've seen our volunteer participation diminish over the past year, and we're basically down to a handful of determined people who will not allow this worthy ministry to fail. The move to the new church I expect to breath new life into the project, and more people to help will be necessary. We aren't limited to those with medical skills or are fluent in Spanish. Anyone can help. I've often said that I'm not much of an evangelist but rather I'm just the "bait" to get people into the church. The longer we do this, the more people we see come to accept Christ as their personal savior. This is the true mission of the migrant clinic.

Please call me or Barb Rash at Ashe Medical, or Rev. Lawrence Goodman at Bald Mountain Church to volunteer your assistance.

Gregory S. Hershner

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1998

Annuity Board Report to the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina

At his first meeting with employees, Annuity Board President O.S. Hawkins challenged the staff to measure themselves by the biblical description of Israel's King David who served "with the integrity of his heart and the skillfulness of his hands."

Outstanding investment earnings and generous gifts in 1997 allowed trustees to enhance the quality of life for our annuitants and Relief recipients. Effective Jan. 1, 1998, nearly all of the 28,000 annuitants in pay status received a permanent 10% increase in benefits. Relief benefits rose to $200 per month for individuals and $265 per month for couples. The Adopt An Annuitant benefit was raised 50% from $50 to $75 each month.

The Church Annuity Plan is the retirement plan designed for pastors, other ministers and eligible employees. It is administered by the Annuity Board in partnership with state conventions.

In 1997, the Annuity Board paid over $300 million in retirement benefits, withdrawals and Relief to Southern Baptist church and institutional employees. Unfortunately, nearly 10,000 retired ministers or their widows received no more than $200 a month in benefits. The Annuity Board and state annuity representatives make vigorous educational and promotional efforts to encourage adequate contributions to individual accounts in the Church Annuity Plan and Convention Annuity Plan. But we are reminded by Jesus that the poor always will be with us. These dear servants of yesterday must not be forgotten while we prepare for the tomorrows of current ministers and other staff members.

The Southern Baptist Convention Cooperative Program provides more than $1 million annually that is distributed in Relief payments to some 700 couples or individuals in desperate financial need. The Annuity Board adds an equal amount from the Retired Ministers' Support fund, and another $2.5 million in Adopt An Annuitant benefits. Every cent given for Relief or Adopt An Annuitant finds its way to a needy person or couple. We are dependent on direct gifts from concerned individuals and groups to provide about $3 in addition to each Cooperative Program dollar received. No Cooperative Program money is used for Annuity Board operations.

The Annuity Board paid more than $105 million in insurance benefits last year, preventing financial disasters to persons and families stricken with illness, disability, accident or death.

Baptist State Convention of North Carolina Statistics As of July 1, 1998:

Number of active participants in the Church Annuity Plan: **3,950**

Percentage of churches active in the Church Annuity Plan: **59%**

Number of persons receiving retirement benefits: **2,703**

Number helped by the Adopt An Annuitant and Relief ministries: 369 **(June 30)**

If you want more information about Annuity Board products and services, call us toll-free at **1-800-262-0511, or call your Baptist state annuity representative**. We want to serve you.

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ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

StarQuest: A Galactic Good News Adventure
"Exploring Our Mission With Jesus"

VBS...Mission Accomplished!

It's hard to believe that another year of VBS is over. We hope that you had an "out-of-this world" VBS experience and are already praying about VBS in 1999. God has once again blessed our efforts in Bible School and has used this ministry to help others come to know Him as Savior and Lord. We praise God for the 91 decisions to accept Christ that have been reported so far, and we pray that the Spirit is continuing to work in the hearts of children, teenagers, and adults throughout our County. We are grateful for each of you who participated in VBS this year. Thank you for giving your time, your talents, your knowledge, and your heart to help spread the good news of Jesus Christ!

A special thank you is extended to Diane Dixon for her support and encouragement during this transition period and to each of our dedicated Clinic Team members. We had a wonderful "flight crew" this year who put forth an "astronomical" effort to present the VBS material in a fun, interesting, and informative way. Thanks to the following individuals who helped make the 1998 Clinic a great success:

Younger/Middle Preschool	Alecia Giles	Friendship
Older Preschool	Nancy Watson	Trinity
Younger Children	Emma Cox	Trinity
Middle Children	Vicky Young	Grassy Creek
Older Children	Julie Taylor	Landmark
Youth	Teshia Dillard	Laurel Knob
Adults	Linda Blackburn	Healing Springs
Music	Tonya Halsey	Friendship
Younger Crafts	Angel Brewer	Friendship
Older Crafts	Linda Clark	Midway
VBS Assistant	Lisa Avery	Landmark

We believe that VBS is one of the most important events of the church year, and we hope that the excitement of VBS will continue in your church for a long time. Remember our 1998 VBS Motto: "My ultimate mission: To know Jesus Christ as my Savior and Lord and to tell others about Him". Our prayers go with you as you continue this mission in your community.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Rexrode,
Associational VBS Director

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1998 VBS REPORT

Church Name	Total Enrollment	Decisions to Accept Christ	VBS Mission Offering
Bald Mountain *	185	18	$313.26
Beaver Creek	64	2	-----
Bethel *	36	0	$55.00
Big Flatts	39	No Report	No Report
Blue Ridge	18	No Report	No Report
Bristol *	131	7	$279.50
Buffalo	49	7	$112.00
Calvary *	48	0	$45.00
Clifton	100	0	$100.00
Fletcher Memorial *	129	0	$194.78
Friendly Grove *	130	1	$156.60
Friendship *	236	9	$218.41
Glendale Springs	96	0	$380.00
Grassy Creek *	39	0	$99.50
Helton Springs	65	0	$177.00
Landmark	130	0	$234.62
Laurel Knob	40	No Report	No Report
Liberty Grove	29	No Report	No Report
Little Helton *	46	0	$84.00
Midway	97	No Report	No Report
Mission Home	89	1	$108.00
Mt. Olive	45	No Report	No Report
New River	88	0	$138.68
North Beaver *	130	1	$630.00
Obids *	32	0	$33.53
Old Fields *	78	0	$71.86
Orion	55	No Report	No Report
Phoenix *	104	2	$100.00
Pine Swamp	18	No Report	No Report
Pleasant Home *	45	0	$101.27
Round Knob *	32	0	$96.00
Trinity (Spring) *	91	10	$226.13
Trinity (Summer) *	246	19	$743.00
Tuckerdale	93	1	$140.00
Wagoner	46	No Report	No Report
Warrensville *	170	13	$175.00
Welcome Home	52	0	No Report
Totals	**3121**	**91**	**$5,014.14**

This information was compiled from the VBS Reports, church profiles, and contacts with individual churches

* Indicates that the 1998 Vacation Bible School report has been received by the Associational Office. We would like to have a full report from each church if possible.

Bible Teaching/Reaching Report

to the
Ashe Baptist Association
August 14-15, '98

The Associational Bible-Teaching/Reaching Ministry exists to help congregations start, develop, and strengthen their Bible Teaching-Reaching Ministries. This help is accomplished by training and equipping workers to carry out the purpose of the ministry in their church. The associational Bible Teaching/Reaching Ministry is designed to accomplish the following.

- Provide resources and services to churches and leaders
- Train, develop, and encourage church and associational leaders
- Provide opportunities for working together in evangelism, missions, ministry and growth
- Establish and maintain appropriate communications and relationships with the community and denomination

The Ashe Associational Consultant Team (ACTeam) provides help through individual and team consultations with churches and, as appropriate, associational leader development events. We have this past year provided one on one consultations with churches doing some age group training. We have had some phone consultations. An associational training event was not conducted this year, but one is being planned for some time in October.

The VBS team attended the State Planning Clinic in Hickory in March and as usual provided for our association a first class VBS clinic. We appreciate so much the leadership of Dianne Dixon and thank her for a superb job as VBS Director. We welcome Amy Rexrode as the new VBS Director and look forward to working with her.

We would like to encourage Pastors and Sunday School Directors to contact us for help in any area. It is our prayer and our goal to help churches develop and maintain a vision of reaching and teaching unsaved and unchurched persons. We would like to help churches have workers who are trained, understand their jobs, teach effectively, and are aware of the variety of changes taking place in their communities as well as ways the church can continue to minister appropriately.

In keeping with this, the ACTeam has resources available to help individual churches such as "The Seven Laws of the Learner" and "Teaching With Style". Other discipleship and spiritual growth materials are available for Bible Teaching/Reaching workers to use such as "Experiencing God", "Mind of Christ" , "The Spirit Filled Life" I encourage Pastors and Sunday School Directors to take advantage of these wonderful resources.

I have enjoyed so much serving as the ACTeam Director and I appreciate the opportunity you have given me to do this. Sunday School has been my passion since 1974. I have served in many capacities, but God has placed a burning in my heart to develop disciples, so I will be the Discipleship Training Director for 1998-99. These two areas of ministry are so closely linked and I will still be in the Bible Teaching/Reaching mind-set. I look forward to still working with Pastors, Sunday School Directors and Discipleship Training Directors to meet the needs of Ashe County Churches and help persons to grow in their love relationship to our Lord.

Mr. Jim Ketner will be the ACTeam Director next year and serving with him will be:

Rev. Lawrence Goodman	Adult
Mrs. Teshia Dillard	Youth
Mrs. Vickie Young	Children
Mrs. Nancy Watson	Preschool
Mrs. Amy Rexrode	VBS

Please pray for this team as they minister in the Association under the leadership of the Holy Spirit. Call on them to help your church be the most effective outreach tool for Christ's Kingdom possible. God Bless each member of all our associational churches and may you know God's will and experience Him in your life continually

Respectfully Submitted,
Dorothy Witherspoon
ACTeam Director

Meeting the Challenges of Health Care

1998 *Report to the Associations*

Touching Lives With Hope

HOSPITAL CELEBRATES 75 YEARS OF SERVICE

In May 1998 the North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated celebrated 75 years of service to the community and the region. During these years the hospital has been faithful to the vision of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention when the hospital was birthed: to extend the healing ministry which was demonstrated by Jesus Christ. Many challenges have been faced through these years, but the commitment to compassionately strive for innovative excellence has remained the same.

Baptist Benevolent Care Fund

Baptist Churches from all across North Carolina joined us in mutual mission through the Mother's Day Offering. This annual ingathering of love was approved by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina in 1924. In 1997 the MDO amounted to $500,747. It was used exclusively to help patients who had little or no health care insurance or no other financial means to pay their hospital bills. From the offering this past year, well over $200,000 was used to assist members of our Baptist Churches in North Carolina. May God bless all those who supported us with prayers and gave so generously.

Division of Pastoral Care

During the year the chaplains and staff of the Pastoral Care Department provide worship services in Davis Memorial Chapel on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday for patients and family members. The Pastoral Care Department staff supervised 64 students during the year and made more than 53,000 ministry contacts.

The Department of Pastoral Counseling, CareNet, Inc. continues to expand its ministries. There are now 13 Christian counseling centers located in strategic areas across the state. During the year these professionally staffed centers will provide over 26,000 hours of counseling.

The Center for Congregational Health, Inc. continues to expand its mission of helping congregations become healthier communities of faith. **Programs and assistance** offered to churches include: Consultation, Intentional Interim Ministry, and Leadership development. **Resources for ministers** include: Young Leaders Program, Turning Point, Interim Ministry Training, Intentional Interim Ministry training.

Facts about Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center

- With more than 10,000 employees, four restaurants, two banks and a post office that handles more mail than some towns, the Medical Center has been called a city-within-a-city.
- The Medical Center successfully proposed to Forsyth County Commissioners to purchase the county's indigent health care clinic, Reynolds Health Center. The Center also serves as a primary care training facility for our medical students and residents. Construction is expected to begin in the spring on a $5 million, state-of-the-art facility.
- Building strong relationships with community hospitals and other academic medical centers was a hallmark of the past year. Hospital and clinical affiliations grew to 22 by December '97.

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"Touching Lives With Hope"

Points of Emphasis and Progress

ALS CENTER - Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center has opened a specialized center to provide coordinated care for patients with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) often referred to as Lou Gehrig's disease. The Medical Center's ALS program is the only center in western North Carolina dedicated to ALS patients.

TRAUMA CENTER - The Medical Center has the designated Level I trauma center for northwest North Carolina. In the trauma center our goal is for the patient who needs surgery to be in an operating room 10 minutes after arriving at the Emergency Department. Surgeons, anesthesiologists and staff remain on duty 24 hours a day to handle such emergencies.

TOPS IN RESEARCH - According to a report in the February 1997 issue of *Applied Clinical Trials*, Wake Forest University School of Medicine ranked in the top 10 U.S. clinical research institutions.

RANKED AMONG THE NATION'S BEST - The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated is among the nation's best hospitals in nine of 17 specialties, according to rankings published in the July 1998 issue of *U.S. News & World Report*.

NEW HEART VALVE - Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center is one of the first centers in the country to offer a new "natural" valve replacement to patients with diseased or damaged aortic heart valves. The Freestyle valve was tested extensively in six centers — including Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center - before being released for general use.

NEWEST TREATMENT FOR EPILEPSY - Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center offers a new treatment for epilepsy — a "pacemaker for the brain" that can help control seizures in patients who are not helped by medication and are ineligible for surgery.

INFORMATION AND APPOINTMENTS - For more information, contact one of our operators at (336) 716-2011. To make an appointment with a physician, contact HEALTH-ON-CALL at 1-(800) 446-2255.

A CLOSING WORD

Seventy-five years ago the North Carolina Baptist State Convention gave us a directive to extend the healing ministry of Jesus Christ. For three-quarters of a century, we have sought to carry out this ministry of healing with compassion and integrity. Those who come here for care expect outcomes unachievable elsewhere. We must constantly rise to meet and exceed this expectation. Every patient and family member has a right to expect from us excellence in health care, delivered with compassion.

Respectfully submitted,

Len B. Preslar Jr.

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President
The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated

Baptist Children's Homes of NC 1998 Book of Reports

Sybil Stewart, *Trustee Chair*
Michael C. Blackwell, *President*

Her voice steady and quiet, Christy delivers her personal story like a letter dropped into an anonymous mailbox at a shuttered house on a nameless street.

Her grandparents' murder had unleashed memories of her own abuse. Family members encouraged her to leave her home and repeatedly told her she was worthless.

"I've had a rough life," she says. "I've been through about anything I can possibly go through."

Christy admits carrying a short fuse and outbursts, physical abuse and a dangerous living situation brought her to Mills Home in November 1997.

She continues her quiet story about coming to Mills Home, about doing well in school, and tutoring two residents in Alumni Cottage. She's glad she can help, because "learning comes easy to me, and I want to help someone if I can."

Julie, her first child care worker at Mills Home, became a real friend who "helped me turn my life around," Christy says, her face at last beginning to brighten. "She was there for me when I needed somebody. My parents weren't there. Nobody wanted me. It was fun being around Julie. She showed me she cared about me and that I could be loved."

She Didn't Plan to See 16

Julie couldn't realize how important her friendship was, or how close Christy came to giving up. Christy admits to two suicide attempts, and believed she would never see age 16.

"I used to dread getting up," she said. "I didn't know if I would get my mouth busted or my arm broke."

Even now, there are days Christy doesn't want to get out of bed. But she does, and she goes to school and earns mostly "A"s and stars on the varsity basketball team, and tutors other residents in math, and went to New York for a summer basketball tournament and is planning to attend college to study a helping profession.

Now she is planning to live, not planning to die. BCH is giving her opportunities to live for.

Christy's story is repeated hundreds of times each year at BCH. Not all are as dramatic but every one tells of a young person and a family at the end of an unraveling rope.

At four residential campuses, two homes for behaviorally troubled

girls, a maternity home, a home for teenage mothers and their babies, therapeutic camping and model day care, 1,560 young people found help in troubled times last year.

During the past year BCH received $1.6 million through the Cooperative Program, and $752,000 through the Thanksgiving Offering. Total church gifts of $3.3 million comprised 18 percent of the nearly $18 million in revenue. Because of a positive investment environment, BCH investments of endowment funds provided 33 percent of revenue.

Buildings Dedicated

Two major priorities of the $10.1 million "Light Their Way" Campaign were dedicated: The Winifred Lindsay Education/ Administrative Center at Odum Home in Pembroke on Jan. 20, and the John D. and Amelia W. Johnson Cottage at Mills Home on
May 12.

U.S. Congressman Mike McIntyre, co-chair of the Congressional Task Force for Responsible Fatherhood, spoke at the dedication of the Lindsay Center. He said BCH has the "purpose, people and passion" to successfully help children and families turn their lives around."

"When we reach out to our children we're making the best investment for tomorrow we could ever make for our country," he said.

Winifred Lee Herbert Lindsay, for whom the Lindsay Center is named, died Nov. 21, 1997.

Primary funds for building Johnson Cottage were given by Phil and Sharon Drake, of Franklin, in memory of Sharon's father and in honor of her mother, a BCH trustee.

"God has given me more than I deserve," Drake said in a brief, emotional address at the dedication. He said giving money to build the cottage was the "easy part" compared to the cottage worker's task of making a difference in children's lives.

Michael C. Blackwell celebrated his 15th anniversary as president of BCH on July 1, 1998.

The video, "A Long Walk Home" is available to promote the 1998 Thanksgiving Offering, which has a statewide goal of $800,000, the largest ever.

Wherever children are hurting and families are strained, BCH strives to heal. To secure a video, or a speaker for your church or civic group, or to access services, call **(800) 476-3669.**

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The North Carolina Missions Offering in the Ashe Association

Most of the North Carolina Missions Offering supports projects in the 80 associations (covering all 100 counties) across North Carolina. Many North Carolina Missions Offering projects are actually association/state missions programs receiving money and leadership support from both the Baptist State Convention and local associations.

For example, the Ashe Association received approximately 10 percent of the 1997 special offering collected in the association. Last year (1997), $659.43 of the $7,031.09 collected from 12 of the association's 48 churches and missions (listed below) was sent back to the association.

In 1997, the North Carolina Missions Offering also supported NC Woman's Missionary Union, NC Baptist Men (Brotherhood), and many of the Missions Division's vital ministries. The number of individuals in the Ashe Association who participated in these groups in 1997 includes:

36 Medical/Dental Van Volunteers
13 Medical/Dental Van Patients
5 People to NC Baptist Men's Convention
4 Girls to GA & Acteens Camp at Mundo Vista
1 Parent of a NC Born Missionary Living in North Carolina

Churches giving to the 1997 special offering:

ASHE

Bald Mountain
Blue Ridge
Friendship
Glendale Springs
Healing Springs
Midway
Mount Olive
New River
Old Fields
Pleasant Home
Wagoner
Welcome Home

Note: *Information supplied by participating areas of work.*

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DISCIPLESHIP REPORT

Discipleship is simply making disciples. We do this by helping Christians develop a personal relationship with our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ. This relationship is nurtured by individual Christians spending time with Jesus, getting to know Him personally, hearing and obeying when He speaks to us and then sharing this relationship with others. Mature Christians do not just happen but are the product of growth. Discipleship training is the process of growth that gives us tools to reach maturity as a Christian. These tools teach us many things but most importantly they help Christians develop strong roots for growing in Christ. The roots involve developing a lifestyle of having a daily quiet time with God (meeting God personally , listening to Him by reading His Word, and talking to Him through prayer), having Bible Study on a regular bases either individually or with other Christians, hiding God's Word in our hearts, fellowship with other Christians and sharing Christ with everyone.

It has been my hearts desire to see Christians maturing in Christ in the churches of the Ashe Baptist Association and it has been my great pleasure to assist churches in starting basic Discipleship programs that encourages Christians to begin developing a deeper relationship with Christ and making a difference in Christians lives. I have also been excited to hear what our churches are doing in discipleship and have been able to share a specific tools that fit the need of each congregation There is a vast array of materials available to help churches meet the need of their church; from learning about how Christians can share Christ to learning what your spiritual gifts are and how to use them in your local church.

Discipling Christians is a must for our local churches as we feed the flock and expect the flock to survive in our society today. As I leave the position of Discipleship Supporter, I will continue to be a supporter of Discipleship in our Association and will be more than happy to help anyone who has questions about Discipleship. Dorothy Witherspoon, the new Discipleship Supporter, has been of great help to me in the past and brings a great wealth of information to the Association as far as what is available to churches in the area of Discipleship materials. Please call upon her this next year and let's all work together to see Discipleship training increase and improve in the upcoming year.

Respectively submitted,

Linda Blackburn,
Discipleship Supporter

Christian Action League of North Carolina
Annual Report to the Associations

It is a joy for the Christian Action League of North Carolina to serve the churches of this great state. We continue to work to inform the Christian community about the moral issues that face our state and nation. Our goal is to address these issues with the principles of God's Word, the cornerstone of all truth.

A. Christian Values

It was the pleasure of the Christian Action League to be one of the sponsors of the Third Annual Christian Heritage Week of North Carolina held March 15-22. The League encouraged schools, churches and communities to recognize, commemorate and learn about the the Christian heritage and history of our nation. CAL sponsored an statewide essay contest for high school students (public, private and homeschool) and presented state winners with awards for excellence.

Continued to promote Christian Citizenship throughout the churches and communities of our state. CAL has distributed over 12,000 copies of the Ten Commandments to churches, businesses, schools, and homes across N.C. Promoted Sanctity of Human Life Sunday and the National Day of Prayer statewide.

B. Gambling

Lottery proponents continue in their efforts to bring a state-sponsored lottery to North Carolina. CAL monitors these efforts and updates the Christian community on lottery information through letters, calls, and our fax and electronic mail networks. Lawmakers have continued to receive a barrage of communication from across the state saying that the lottery is a bad bet for North Carolina. CAL will continue to monitor this issue but as the session draws nearer to a close, the lottery seems to have been defeated for another session.

CAL also monitored the work of the Legislative Study Committee on Bingo Regulations.

C. Sex Education

Worked with other Christian and pro-family groups to see that the state mandate for Abstinence Until Marriage education is implemented statewide. Also supported efforts to insure that federal grant money designated to promote abstinence education was used properly. Informed citizens and legislators concerning attempts to fund school-based clinics in N.C. schools.

D. Abortion

CAL continued to promote HB 303 (Ban Partial Birth Abortion), HB 536 (Woman's Right to Know Before Abortion), and HB 594 (Fetus Death From Criminal Act). We also encouraged our lawmakers to maintain funding reductions and restrictions on the state abortion fund. These actions have resulted in only two qualifying abortions being paid with taxpayer funds in the last two years.

E. Alcohol

CAL monitored all legislation concerning alcohol and other drugs. Successfully supported efforts to strenghten DWI laws. Worked with communities in assisting them in originating organizations to fight alcohol and drug use. Continued to oppose special alcohol legislation that approves alcohol sales without the vote of the people. Provided awareness, education and resource materials related to substance abuse problems to churches, communities, etc. CAL will host a national conference this fall of the American Council on Alcohol Problems.

F. Pornography

Continued to address the problem of pornography in our state. Promoted and saw ratified SB 452-Local Regualtion of Adult Establishments. This legislation gives more authority to local communities to regulate and control adult entertainment establishments.

G. Homosexuality

CAL supports efforts to strengthen the traditional family and contnues to monitor and inform the public about the activities of those who promote the radical homosexual agenda. Successfully lobbied against legislation that would have made homosexuality legal in N.C. Offered the video "On Wings Like Eagles", the testimony of deliverance from homosexuality by Micheal Johnston of Kerruso Ministries.

For A Better North Carolina.

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ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Missions Committee Report

MISSION UPDATE: ONE

The Missions Committee is thankful to report that our search for Director of Missions was successfully accomplished this year and our new Director of Missions is on the job and doing well.

This was not an easy task but God lead us each step of the way and our prayers were answered. As you know, the Missions Committee reported after Dr. McKinley finished his work as consultant and gave the Missions Committee his report all churches of the Association that responded (42 of 47) desired that we continue with a full time Director of Missions and noted there were many things that we all agree on.

Therefore we, the Missions Committee, started our search for a Director of Missions. In January of 1998, we submitted a candidate for the position at the regularly scheduled Executive Committee meeting and they voted to extend a call to this candidate. This candidate chose not to accept the call. This meant that the Missions Committee had to start over again with no clear direction but believed that God was leading and would provide the man that He was preparing for this position. At that time Rev. David Blackburn submitted his resume to the committee for consideration. The Missions Committee, after much prayer, unanimously voted to submit David's name to the Association for consideration for the position of Director of Missions. This was done at the April 1998 regularly scheduled Executive Committee meeting. The vote was taken, the call extended and Rev. David Blackburn humbly accepted the call. He began preparing the parsonage and he and Linda moved in mid April. Although David did much work in April, he did not officially begin until May 1, 1998.

MISSION UPDATE: TWO

The Missions Committee is happy to be through with the search for Director of Missions and to be able to move on and begin working with the Director of Missions toward the great work that God has called us to do in our Association. Please pray for the committee as we strive to join God in what He is doing in Ashe County and around the world.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev.Jimmy Warden,
Missions Committee Chairman

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Baptist Camp Ground Report

The camp ground has been beautifully cared for this year by several of our churches, two mission groups outside of the county, as well as several individuals. Special thanks to all who helped us this year.

It has been a good year for our camp. Churches use the camp to have worship services on Sunday morning and lunch in the afternoon, while others bring their youth for a weekend stay.

Families use it for family reunions, groups use it for special meetings during the week, and we are finding that our secret of a mountain camp is being found out across the state.

Scheduling is done through the associational office. Churches are given the highest priority when scheduling. Some churches and organizations are booking a year in advance. The sooner you can schedule, the better your chances of getting the time slots you desire.

We appreciate your support of money, time, use and prayers for the camp this year. Special thanks to the camp committee for their work.

The following is a brief summary of its usage:

	#	Days
Churches	13	32
Groups	13	36
Reunions	6	9
Outside county	8	27

Be sure and visit the camp at any time and get a key at the associational office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leonard Jordan
Camp Director

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Report from the Ashe Pregnancy Care Center to the Ashe Baptist Association
August 14-15, 1998

It is with much joy that I write this report to the Ashe Baptist Association. Many of our churches are supporting this ministry with your prayers, by volunteering time, by donations of baby and maternity clothing, baby furniture, etc., and many of you give on a regular schedule. It is because of your love and caring that the Lord is doing works of grace at the Center.

In the Gospel of John, Jesus says, "If you remain in me and my word remains in you, ask whatever you wish and it will be given you. This is to my father's glory that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples."

I rejoice with you as together we serve in one of the most significant and powerful ministries of our time. Through the power and the leading of Jesus' spirit, we are releasing those who are caught in the deathgrip of sin and the threat of abortion. Because of your generosity, the volunteers at the Ashe Pregnancy Care Center have opportunity to lovingly lead them out of a fear of abandonment and hopelessness and into the safe place of healing and hope in the presence of our loving Heavenly Father. Because of your commitment and gifts to this ministry, we are able to share Jesus Christ and His redemptive love with each client we serve.

Our volunteers are thoroughly trained to be peer counselors and in sharing the Gospel by a certified Care Net Consultant. They have a commitment to the study of His Word, prayer and a sensitivity to the Holy Spirit. They create an atmosphere of acceptance, encouragement, and safety at the Center. They are empathetic, they are genuine, they have unconditional love and acceptance, and a humble servant's heart. They are member's of your churches and you can be very proud of the extended ministry of your church.

During the last quarter we have served 22 new clients and had 31 return visits. We provide services such as free, confidential pregnancy tests, education on what abortion is and what the impact of abortion is on the mother and the child as well as the father, education and counseling for abortion alternatives and post abortion counseling, baby clothing, maternity clothing, baby furniture and most importantly we share Jesus Christ.

If your church is currently partnering with us in ministry, we thank you and encourage you to continue giving and if possible increase your giving. If you are not currently involved in this ministry, we invite you to become a partner with us. We will be glad to come to your church and give a presentation on how you can get involved and give details on what we do. We will also give you a guided tour of the Center—just call Dorothy Witherspoon (982-4310). We are a good mission action project for WMU groups.

It is awesome to consider the eternal significance of our part in saving parents and children from abortion, and the blessing of physical and spiritual life that is passed down through countless generations. I thank you for responding to the call to take part in this ministry of LIFE!

Respectfully Submitted,
Dorothy Witherspoon
Chairman of the Board of Directors

Jim Rash, Vice-Chairman
Mark Scott, Secretary

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

BROTHERHOOD
(BAPTIST MEN)
"MEN ON MISSION"

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF BAPTIST MEN/MEN'S MINISTRY?

BAPTIST MEN EXISTS TO HELP CHURCHES INVOLVE THEIR MEMBERS IN MISSIONS. EVERY CHRISTIAN IS CALLED, GIFTED AND SENT TO WITNESS AND MINISTER TO NONBELIEVERS EVERYWHERE.

ALL PEOPLE, NOT JUST ORDAINED MINISTERS, ARE EQUALLY RESPONSIBLE TO BE WITNESSES FOR CHRIST.

MISSION STATEMENT

THE GOAL OF NC BAPTIST MEN IS TO HELP NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST CHURCHES AND ASSOCIATIONS INVOLVE THEIR MEMBERS (ESPECIALLY MEN AND BOYS) IN MISSIONS AND MINISTRY.

THE OBJECTIVES FOR ACCOMPLISHING THIS GOAL ARE TO:

1. ENABLE AND EQUIP MEN AND BOYS TO BE PERSONALLY INVOLVED IN MISSION ACTIVITIES.
2. ENCOURAGE MEN AND BOYS TO IDENTIFY AND DEVELOP THEIR PERSONAL MINISTRIES.
3. EDUCATE MEN AND BOYS CONCERNING MISSION OPPORTUNITIES.
4. TEACH MEN AND BOYS THE IMPORTANT OF PRAYING FOR AND GIVING TO MISSIONS.
5. LEAD MEN AND BOYS IN DEVELOPING IN ALL AREAS AND ASPECTS OF THEIR LIVES TO BECOME MATURE, ACTIVE AND INVOLVED CHRISTIANS.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION OF THE BROTHERHOOD ORGANIZATION FOR YOUR CHURCH, PLEASE CALL ME AT 982-3316 OR THE ASSOCIATION OFFICE AT 246-5631.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

FRED WALTERS

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCH GROWTH MULTIPLIER REPORT 1998

Thank God for the privilege of serving as your Church Growth Consultant Team in Western, North Carolina. We're a special worker team on behalf of the NC Baptist State Convention.

We have seen some wonderful things happen in churches where we have been. God is really blessing.

If we can be of help to any association or church in the areas of Sunday School, WMU, or Discipleship Training, please feel free to call on us.

We are committed to helping churches to grow numerically and spiritually. God wants us to grow.

Respectfully submitted,
Your Western NC Team

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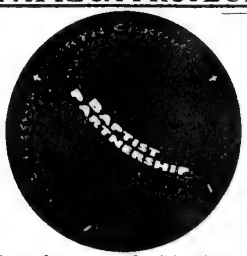
SOUTH AFRICA PROJECT 500



The Baptist Union of South Africa has a goal of funding twenty (20) church planters by the year 2000. They currently support nine (9) church planters. There is a great need for church planting, especially in the squatter villages. Many of the squatter villages contain tens of thousands of people and no church at all. Therefore, the great need is for ethnic church planters.

The funding formula is for four(4) years of decreasing funding. Full funding is only for the first year, with the support decreasing one-fourth after each year of support. US dollars are multiplied when sent to South Africa because one dollar usually buys about 4.7 Rand. The first year of support for a church planter is $300.00 per month. In the second year, the funding is $225.00 per month. By the third year, the funding is $150.00 per month; and in the fourth and final year, the support is $75.00 per month. A fifth year may be negotiated, if needed.

If you adopt a church planter for funding, you will receive information about the church planter and the church-type mission as it starts up. The Baptist Union of South Africa will send you a copy of the church planter's report each month. The church planter will share what God has done the previous month and specific prayer requests for the following month.

As you may be aware, Roy A. Smith, former Director of Missions in the Sandy Creek Baptist Association and the author of this project, is now in Johannesburg, South Africa. He and his wife, Shirley, are doing furlough coverage for Sonny and Deen Sweatman. Because of Roy's schedule and his added new responsibilities, he has asked ***Ken Boaz, Director of Missions*** *with the Three Forks Baptist Association, to co-ordinate this project from North Carolina; and Ken has graciously agreed.*

The opportunity before us is to begin supporting a church planter in 1998 and completing the commitment in the year 2001. We can send the money on a monthly, quarterly, or an annual basis. Simply send your pledge to the ***Partnership Missions Office of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.***

If you should have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact Pam Uzzell in the Partnership Missions Office at (800) 365-5102, Ext. 322; or you may contact Ken at: ***(828) 264-4482***

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Partnership Missions: North Carolina and Ukraine

The Ukraine is the fifth most populous nation in Europe with over 55 million people the capital city of Kiev has a population of over 2 5 million In 1991, the Ukraine declared its independence from the Soviet Union signaling the end of all hope of retaining even a modified from of the USSR. Today in the Ukraine, they struggle with the changes and economic hardships resulting from the dramatic shift from a communist economic system to a market economy Along with freedom, the people are now experiencing a multitude of new social problems greater poverty, crime, alcohol and drug abuse

However, for many people, the Chernobyl nuclear disaster has had a far greater impact on their lives than the political and social changes On April 26, 1986, Chernobyl, Ukraine was the site of the worst nuclear disaster in history, as a sleepy and inexperienced nuclear power plant operator left the control rods in Reactor No 4 slightly out of position That explosion vented 200 times more radiation into the atmosphere than the bombs that leveled Hiroshima and Nagasaki At first the Soviet government refused to acknowledge that anything had happened; finally in response to international pressure, three days after the explosion, the people in the surrounding villages were allowed to evacuate. As they loaded the buses, they were promised by the Soviet government, they could return to their homes in another three days. The people left their homes with only the clothes they wore not knowing that it would require not days but thousands of years for the radiation to dissipate

Chernobyl was the site of the massacre of Ukrainian Jews by the Nazis in 1942 Later, the Soviet government built a nuclear power station on the mass grave. The word "Chernobyl" in Ukrainian means "wormwood," symbolism which many Ukrainian Christians associated with Revelation 8:11. This passage speaks of a great poisoning of the water resulting in the death of many people. Since 1986, the Chernobyl disaster is responsible for the deaths of 168,000 people.

It is in this situation that God has called North Carolina Baptists to join with Him in His work This is the fifth year of the North Carolina-Ukraine partnership In 1992, one year after Ukraine declared its independence from the Soviet Union, North Carolina Baptists established a partnership with the Ukrainian Baptist Union. Originally, the Ukrainian Baptists established three goals, by asking North Carolina Baptists to financially support 100 Ukrainian home missionaries; renovate a building to house a seminary, work with our brothers and sisters in Christ to build churches through out Ukraine Since 1992 we have supported home missionaries, renovated the building for the seminary which is now training Ukrainian pastors, and assisted in the construction of 345 churches (although, at this time many of those churches are not complete due to the lack of funds)

In continuing our partnership, we have entered into two new areas of work The first is in response to the need for medical and dental care Today in Ukraine, medical and dental care is either not available or too expensive for many of the Ukrainian people Responding to this need, North Carolina Baptists are sending medical and dental teams to provide primary care in the rural villages of Ukraine. The second new area of work is Vacation Bible School and Children's Camp. Beginning in 1995, in response to an

observed need, Bob Oliver and Jim Rash conducted the first children's camp as an outreach for the children living in the Chernobyl area

In 1998, a team from North Carolina returned to Zdvizhevka, Ukraine. The goals for this team were two-fold first, conduct Vacation Bible School for the children of the village, second, provide basic medical care for the adults and children of the village. The medical team included, Dr Phil Yount, Dr Clayton Dean, Beth Holman, Debbie Riggs, and Nancy Register. The Bible School team included: Bob Oliver; Jim and Sue Rash, Keeta Norris, Diane, Laura, and Scott Butterworth; Shannon Goodman, Heather Goodman, Anna Goodman; Jimmy Walters; Herb Rash; Orvalla Hafer; Wade Brown, Terri Anne Branch; Andy Branch

Bible School was conducted as a day-camp for the children of Zdvizhevka. Classes were offered for pre-schoolers through younger youth The children met for two sessions daily, from 10:00 to 12:00 and from 3:00-5:30 Attendance averaged 75, with 90 children present by the end of the two week period With the assistance of many churches and individuals, we were able to provide basic school supplies, and hygiene items for the children. This year, we were able to provide Russian-English, English-Russian dictionaries for the children, with the support of the Warrensville Baptist Church WMU, Warrensville Ladies' Sunshine Class, Clifford and Edith Lindsey, and Vacation Bible School offerings from Warrensville Baptist Church, Sparta United Methodist Church, and Buffalo Baptist Church Also, with the Vacation Bible School offering from North Beaver Baptist Church, we gave each child a Bible. God, in His sovereignty, alone knows the impact of these two weeks of Bible School.

The medical team saw 203 patients, including 40 for surgery. A conservative estimate of the cost of this basic medical care, lab work, and medicine dispensed is $16,000 Most of the people in the village cannot afford medical care, and those who worked in the clinic provided a tangible expression of the love of Jesus Christ. One man who visited the clinic later told the team that he had gone to the local hospital to see a doctor to have his blood-sugar checked. The doctor kept telling him to come back, all total he made three such visits to the doctor, but he never received the requested blood-sugar test. In reality, the doctor was waiting for the man to pay him with a bribe before he received any medical care This man told our team, "I came to your hospital, I didn't have to come back or bribe anyone, and I received what I requested." What a wonderful testimony for the love of Christ!

This year with the continued prayers and support of God's people, it appears that the sanctuary for the church will be completed For the financial gift to the church, Pastor Kolya and our brothers and sisters in Christ in Zdvizhevka express special thanks to North Beaver Baptist Church, Landmark Baptist Church, Laurel Knob Baptist Church, the Kingdom Clowns, the Ashe Baptist Association, Winnie Bowers, and Larry Greer

So many of God's people supported us in prayer, and for that, we are very thankful. A trip of this magnitude could not be accomplished in our own strength, God, alone, is able! Continue to pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ in Zdvizhevka, Ukraine, and be obedient, if God tells you to go.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Rash

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION EXPRESSES ITS GRATITUDE TO MISSION HOME AND TO FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCHES FOR HOSTING THE ANNUAL MEETING, AND ESPECIALLY TO THE LADIES WHO WORKED SO HARD TO PREPARE THE WONDERFUL MEALS.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT WE APPRECIATE THE GREAT WORK BEING DONE BY OUR MODERATOR: REV. STEVE WITHERSPOON, VICE MODERATOR: JERRY POWERS, CLERK: LINDA BLEVINS, AND OUR NEW DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS: REV. DAVID BLACKBURN; AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO PRAYERFULLY SUPPORT THEM AS THEY SERVE THE ASSOCIATION.

FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT AS MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCHES WE WILL CARRY OUT THE GREAT COMMISSION OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST- "TO GO INTO ALL THE WORLD AND SHARE THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS CHRIST TO ALL PEOPLE." THROUGH OUR ASSOCIATION, BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION AND THROUGH OUR LOCAL CHURCHES, TO SUPPORT OUR MISSION PROGRAMS AT HOME AND AROUND THE WORLD.

FURTHERMORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT THE BIBLE, THE OLD AND THE NEW TESTAMENT, IS THE WORD OF GOD AND THE ONLY RULE OF FAITH AND PRACTICE.

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED THAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO CONSTANTLY PRAY FOR THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, OUR BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION, AND OUR SISTER CHURCHES, AS WE WORK TOGETHER TO SPREAD THE MESSAGE OF OUR LORD TO THE UTTERMOST PARTS OF THE EARTH.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

MRS. DEANNA SEBASTIAN
REV. MIKE HAMBY
REV. DAVID LAMBERT, CHAIRMAN

NOTES

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Report of the Director of Missions

I am pleased to report that the Ashe Baptist Association is doing well with the churches responding in a positive spirit. God is blessing the association as evidenced by the number of reported salvation experiences and baptisms. A **New Heart** is alive and well in our association.

As we go into the 21st century, the association needs to be a support system for churches and congregations. The Bible, our churches and the community determines the product that we should deliver to help churches and congregations grow forward into the "Great Commission" of Matt. 28:19-20. We need to help the called out, the empowered people, to continue with our mission at home and abroad. The day of the mission field has come to us, therefore we are all missionaries for the cause of Christ. May we help all people to rediscover power in their own lives through Jesus Christ.

Following is a brief summary of the activities of your DOM from May through early August (I am the first to recognize that without your prayers, God's power, support from my wife, assistance from Linda Blevins (office assistant) and the many volunteers none of this would be possible.)

- Drove 3,680 miles
- Assisted Hispanic church
  - *supplied Spanish Sunday School materials, Bibles, Baptist Hymnals
  - *helped purchase and install air conditioner
  - *sent invitations to and attended the dedication service
  - *worked on Visa for Pastor Jesus Padilla (NC and Texas Offices)
- Prepared the parsonage
  - *cleaned
  - *painted
  - *plumbed
  - *wired
  - *cleaned guttering
  - *moved office to front of house
- Upgraded computer system
- Prepared 850 minute books
- Compiled 200 book of reports for annual meeting
- Conducted radio programs on WKSK
  - *Saturday morning Association News Program
  - *Thought for Today
- 500 Newsletters prepared and mailed monthly
- Started video library (160 videos for churches to check out)
- Started a Sunday School and Discipleship Library (to view and check out)
- Assembled equiptment for check out
- Visited 20 churches (to preach, teach, counsel, do weddings, and funerals)
- Worked with the Associational Committees
- Communicated by mail, phone and fax as needed

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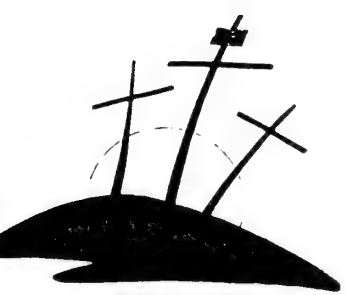
- Worked with
  *Power Team Crusade *VBS Clinic
  *churches for pulpit supply *Key Leadership Conference
- Attended Key Leadership at Ridgecrest
- Attended DOM Conference at Caraway (was chosen by fellow DOMs to serve on the consulation team for Region 7 for the Baptist State Convention)
- Assisted with:
  *Ashe Crisis Pregnancy Center *Ministerial Association
  *Partnership for Children *4-H
  *School Based Health Planning Committee
- Sent announcements to paper for churches weekly

TO GOD BE THE GLORY FOR ALL THESE THINGS!

Yes, there is **"A New Heart for Associational Missions"** and I am glad to be a part of it. Stay in His grip, keep praying and working together for the cause of Christ.

Respectively submitted,

Rev. David Blackburn,
Director of Missions



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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

to the
Ashe Baptist Association
August 14-15, 98

This has been a marvelous year in the Ashe Baptist Association and our Executive Committee meetings have reflected that. Attendance for our meetings has been good (average attendance of 24 churches represented) and the spirit was always friendly and cooperative, showing a true Christlike spirit. There were no special called meetings during this year

The Executive Committee met at Tuckerdale Baptist Church on Thursday, October 2, 1997 at 7:00 PM. There were 17 churches represented. Rev. Lawrence Goodman reported on the Hispanic Mission. It had been one year since the committee was tasked with researching the feasibility of beginning a ministry to our Hispanic community. At this time there had been 13 professions of faith. The Committee made a motion to support Rev. Jesus Padilla as pastor of the new mission from Associational Funds up to $1000.00 per month for housing, health insurance, etc. This motion was seconded and passed

Rev. Jimmy Warden reported that the Missions Committee would begin interviewing applicants for the position of Associational Missionary

Friendly Grove Baptist Church hosted the January 8, 1998 meeting of the Executive Committee. There were 23 churches represented for this meeting. Rev. Lawrence Goodman reported that Rev. Jesus Padilla has moved to the county in November and his family had just arrived. He reported a meeting place for the Hispanic Mission had been located and work needed to be done on this facility. The committee voted to support this facility for Hispanic services

Rev. Goodman also reported that the Medical Mission was expanding its services to all people in the county who could not afford medical services. Pastors and churches would be utilized as referral agents

The Missions Committee presented Rev. Dan Little as a candidate for the position of Director of Missions in our Association. Rev. Little shared his testimony and answered questions from the floor. A vote was taken and the call was extended to Rev. Little (Rev. Little subsequently declined the position)

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(continued)

The Landmark Baptist Church extended a welcome to the Executive Committee on Thursday, April 2, 1998. There were 29 churches represented at this meeting. The Missions Committee presented Rev. David Blackburn as candidate for position of Associational Missionary. The vote was a majority "yes" and Rev. Blackburn accepted the call to be our new Associational Missionary. Leadership for the following year was elected and encouraged to attend the Key Leadership Conference in May.

The Executive Committee met at Friendship Baptist Church on Thursday, July 3, 1998. Rev. Jesus Padilla reported on the Hispanic Mission through the interpretation of Mr. Hank Saralegui. He stated the church was growing and many persons were accepting Christ.

I express my sincere thanks to the Executive Committee for their cooperation and for their spirit of "oneness" in promoting and building up the Kingdom of God in Ashe County. I thank the Association for allowing me to serve as Moderator these past two years and for the support and encouragement you have provided. It is my prayer that we will continue to grow as an Association of Churches on Mission with a burning in our hearts to reach people with the gospel of Christ and teach them how to grow in a loving relationship with a Heavenly Father. Let's covenant to work together on things we can agree on as edifying to God and not let the little things divide us.

I want to thank the Missions Committee, Rev. Jimmy Warden, Rev. Gary Watson, Mr. William Fairchild, Mrs. Linda Blackburn and Mrs. Dorothy Witherspoon for all the hard work they put into the search for God's man to lead our Association. I ask you to pray for and support Rev. David Blackburn in this position of leadership. Pray for all the volunteer leaders as they work in our Association where God has placed them. May all that we do as individual churches and as an Association bring glory and honor to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

May God richly bless the churches of the Ashe Baptist Association.

Respectfully Submitted,
Steve Witherspoon, Moderator

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MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
of the Ashe Baptist Association

The Executive Committee met at Tuckerdale Baptist Church on Thursday, October 2, 1997 at 7:00 p.m.

Moderator, Rev. Steve Witherspoon, welcomed everyone and thanked the church for hosting the meeting. He then had prayer followed by a congregational hymn "When the Role is Called".

Ralph Davis then welcomed everyone to Tuckerdale Baptist Church. He read scripture from Matthew 24:27 and commented on the beauty we've been blessed with here.

The moderator then commented that we all need to learn to love one another here for we'll all love one another in heaven.

The reading of the minutes aloud was waived and the moderator gave everyone a few moments to read them. Motion was made by Charles Severt to accept the minutes as they are written and seconded by Fred Walters. Minutes approved as written.

The Treasurer's report was then read by members and a motion was made by Rev. Bill Ballou and seconded by Lamon Perry to approve the report as printed. Report approved as printed.

The role was called by the clerk, Linda Blevins with the following 17 churches in attendance: Bald Mountain, Beaver Creek, Big Flatts, Buffalo, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Glendale Springs, Grassy Creek, Healing Springs, Midway, Mission Home, New River, Pleasant Home, Tuckerdale, Warrensville and Welcome Home.

A report was then given on the Hispanic Missions Ministry by Rev. Lawrence Goodman. It has been one year since the committee was appointed. They met with John Jones from the Baptist State Convention and began services in May 1997 with a Hispanic minister and music. Services continued on each fourth Saturday of the month. Attendance for the most part was good. There have been 13 professions of faith.

The committee met with Rev. Jesus Padilla to come to this area to pastor permanently. He is very qualified and capable. He is recommended to us by the State Convention office. He is a trained diesel mechanic. His family is still in Monterey, Mexico where he is a native. He would be agreeable to come if it is possible. He will have a job in this area. The goal is to move him here by January 1998.

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Every church in the Association has received letters asking for support for this mission The goal is to have a central place to meet. According to the internet Hispanics make up approximately 7% of the counties population and it is a growing community. Individual churches find it hard to minister to them because of the language barrier.

Rev. Goodman introduced Hank Saralegui who spoke about the situation and Rev. Padilla. Hank has been involved with this ministry for 15 or 16 years. "Hispanics come here and work in the mountains. We need to say at least good morning and make them feel wanted. Now we (the Association) can do something to help. Most of the Hispanics cannot read. The services have been wonderful. The people have come to praise. Jesus is a pastor. He is a very good minister. Many have been saved. He works now and makes $320 a week with which he supports his family in Mexico. He reads the bible very well. The attendance at the first meeting was 43 people. Most of these people work 14 hours a day and cannot go to school to learn English. They really love this country. Be friendly to them. Some of them are very sick. The clinic is really helping. Everyone is welcome to help. Give the credit to God. Love them. Tell them about our wonderful Saviour. There is momentum for the work. Churches, do the will of the Lord. The fruit is ripe, let's pick it. Come to the next service at Bald Mountain. See that it is doing good. Let's all work together. We need more people. It would make things easier." There were no questions at this time.

The Hispanic Ministry Committee made a motion to support Rev. Jesus Padilla from Association Funds of up to $1000. per month for housing, health insurance etc. Funds would also be available from the State Convention once we commit to help. Motion carries. It is asked that the churches increase their giving in order to cover this mission.

Moderator Witherspoon then asked for churches to host the executive committee meetings for the coming year. The 1998 meetings are scheduled as follows: January 8 - Friendly Grove, April 2 - Landmark, July 2 - Friendship and October 1 - Midway.

Motion was made by Rev. Johnny Huffman and seconded by Rev. Lawrence Goodman to have Mrs. Blevins hire someone to stay in the Association Office during her absence in January to April. Motion carried.

Moderator Witherspoon asked for volunteers for the radio announcements and for news items from the churches to share the work they are doing in the communities. He thanked Tuckerdale Baptist Church for hosting the meeting. He then ask for Rev. Jimmy Warden to give a report from the Missions Committee. He also stated that the committee was doing their best to find a

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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING (continued)

Director of Missions. All of them want to serve Jesus. He stated that we need unity and that in the interest of unity, the committee makes the recommendation not to take action on changes to the constitution.

Rev. Jimmy Warden shared that they would begin interviewing this month. They are leaning toward an interim DOM and possibly will have a recommendation by the January meeting to vote on.

Rev. Witherspoon, moderator, stated again that we need harmony and that the Missions Committee wants to do whatever will keep harmony and unity. He stated that a prospective DOM would be coming for an interview and would need to spend the night rather than travel back to Crossnore area.

Motion was made by Rev. Bill Ballou and seconded by Rev. Rick Cornejo to pay for expending funds to the motel for one night for the candidate. Motion was approved.

Rev. Wayne Osborne moved to adjourn the meeting. Rev. Wayne Jones seconded. Meeting adjourned with prayer by Rev. Steve Witherspoon.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda K. Blevins, Clerk

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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING (continued)

The Executive Committee met in conference at Friendly Grove Baptist Church on Thursday, January 8, 1998 at 7:00 p.m.

Rev. Steve Witherspoon, moderator, welcomed everyone and led in prayer. The hymn "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" was led by Rev. David Blackburn with Rev. Jimmy Warden accompanying.

The Moderator then thanked Friendly Grove for hosting the meeting and introduced Rev. Jay Jones, the pastor. Rev. Jones welcomed everyone and read from Lamentations 2:19. He spoke on pouring out our hearts to the Lord. We still have a prayer and we still have hope. He then had prayer and turned the meeting over to the moderator.

The Moderator then asked everyone to read the minutes and the treasurer's report silently. Motion was made by Rev. Jack Miller and seconded by Rev. Larry Powers to accept the minutes as printed. Minutes approved.

Rev. Rick Miller made a motion, which was seconded by Rev. Jimmy Warden, to accept the treasurer's report as printed. Motion carries.

The clerk then read the roll call of the churches with the following 23 churches represented: Bald Mountain, Beaver Creek, Big Flatts, Bristol, Buffalo, Clifton, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Grassy Creek, Healing Springs, Laurel Knob, Mission Home, Mount Olive, New River, North Beaver, Old Fields, Orion, Phoenix, Pleasant Home, Round Knob, Tuckerdale, Warrensville and Welcome Home.

The Moderator then recognized and welcomed new pastors: Rev. Dayton Roten to Phoenix, Rev. Larry Powers to Tuckerdale and Rev. Dean Watson to Buffalo.

He then asked for any old business.

Rev. Lawrence Goodman gave an update from the Hispanic Ministry Committee. There has been a lot of work being done behind the scenes. Rev. Jesus Padilla moved here in November and his family arrived here this past Monday, January 5th. Sammie Church has offered to let us use one of his buildings rent free for two years. The building is located beside the old KFC building. Mr. Church would like the churches vote on whether they wanted to use the building. It is in need of new floor covering, sheet rock for the walls and a bathroom. All the materials are already available to finish these. Motion was brought by the committee to use the building for Hispanic services provided we get approval from the Building Inspector. Motion carries.

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(continued)

Rev. Goodman shared that the Medical Missions Board of Directors had met and will be expanding the medical assistance program to all people in the county who can't afford medical service by recommendation from pastors and churches. Formerly this service was primarily for the Hispanic community. They will be sending letters to all the churches. They will be re-opening these services in February 1998

Also, Rev. Goodman shared that someone had given stock, present value of approximately $350,000 to promote a Christian school. They are hoping to begin pre-k through grade 4 by the fall of 1998. They will be sending letters to the churches with comments/questions.

The Moderator asked if there was any other good news or any other old business? There was no old business.

Rev. Witherspoon then asked if there was any new business. Rev. Jim Ketner, director of the Nominating Committee brought a nomination from the Committee. They nominated Terry Hartzog to fill the vacancy on the Nominating Committee. Motion carried

Rev. Jimmy Warden gave a report from the Search Committee and presented Rev. Dan Little as candidate for full-time Associational Missionary. Rev. Little gave his testimony and some personal information about himself and his family. He asked if anyone had any questions. There were no questions at that time. Rev. & Mrs. Little stepped outside and the vote was taken. Motion carries to offer Rev. Little the position. Rev. Little was then informed of the vote and that the Search Committee would meet with him to get everything in order.

Rev. Jim Rash had a written report/booklet on the children in the Ukraine. He would give them out after the meeting adjourned to anyone who would like a copy.

Rev. Jack Miller asked if Rev. Dan Little is accepting the position as Associational Missionary. Rev. Little stated that he would need to speak with the Finance and Search Committees and then let us know. It would be April or May before he could start here after accepting. The Search Committee is to let the churches know his decision

Rev. Jack Miller then made the motion that we adjourn, seconded by Fred Walters. Meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda K. Blevins, Clerk

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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING (continued)

The Executive Committee met in conference on Thursday, April 2, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. at the Landmark Baptist Church.

Rev. David Blackburn led the committee in singing "The Lily of the Valley" and was accompanied by Rev. Wayne Osborne.

Rev. Steve Witherspoon, Moderator then called the meeting to order and ask Tim Moser to introduce Rev. Ronnie McMillan as the new pastor of Landmark Baptist Church. Rev. McMillan welcomed everyone.

The Moderator then read the devotion from John 12:24. He then recognized new pastors. Rev. Kenneth Jones to Midway Baptist, Rev. Johnny Huffman to Grassy Creek and Rev. Ronnie McMillan to Landmark.

Rev. Witherspoon then asked for everyone to read the minutes silently. Rev. Wayne Osborne moved that the minutes be accepted as printed. Rev. Lawrence Goodman seconded the motion. Motion carries.

The treasurer's report was then read silently by the committee. Rev. Wayne Osborne made a motion to accept the report. Tommy Davis seconded the motion. Motion was accepted.

The Moderator recognized the three churches that are without pastors: Liberty Grove, Pine Swamp and Welcome Home.

The roll call was then read by the clerk with the following 29 churches represented: Bald Mountain, Beaver Creek, Big Flatts, Bristol, Buffalo, Calvary, Fletcher Memorial, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Glendale Springs, Grassy Creek, Healing Springs, Landmark, Liberty Grove, Midway, Mission Home, Mount Olive, New River, North Beaver, Oak Hill, Old Fields, Orion, Phoenix, Pleasant Home, Round Knob, Tuckerdale, Wagoner, Warrensville and Welcome Home.

The Moderator then asked for any old business. There was no old business discussed.

He then asked for new business. The Search Committee then presented as candidate for Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn. The Moderator stated that the other candidate (Rev. Dan Little) declined to take the position. Rev. Blackburn shared his background and educational information with the Committee. He gave his testimony as a borned again Christian.

The following is a summary of questions and discussions raised in this matter:

Question: What is the pay scale or contract amount for the Director?

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Answer: The amount voted on the accepted budget for 1997-98 at the annual meeting was $35,000 per year based on support from the churches. This was the entire amount out of which the retirement, mileage, meetings, etc. are to be met.

Comment: We need a good job description on record.

Question: Is this a full-time position?
Answer: Yes. A minimum of 40 hours a week is required.

Question: Will the parsonage be used?
Answer: Yes

Question: How many resumes were received for the position?
Answer: 30 or 40 candidates. Not all for D.O.M. only. Some were applying for several different jobs.

At this point a motion was made by Rev. J. E. Owens to make a more specific job description for Director of Missions, seconded by Carolyn Miller. Question was ask whether this was to be done instead of voting on a Director at this time. Since there is already a vote on the floor, this motion will be discussed after the vote.

Questions and comments then continued.

Question: What would Rev. Blackburn do to pull us together as an Association of churches?
Answer: "Through Jesus this can be done. We need to foster love between pastors, churches and community through the power of the Holy Spirit, not by man's will but by God's will."

Question: Is the wage package the same for each candidate.
Answer: Yes, based on the support from the churches.

Question: Where does Rev. Blackburn stand on issues of woman deacons, pastors with two living wives and deacons with two living wives.
Answer: "I am conservative. I am about what the Lord is talking about, Sunday school, discipleship. We must deal with the divorce issue in love by the scripture."

There were no other questions. At this point the Moderator apologized that he had forgotten to open with prayer so he stopped and prayed.

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(continued)

The Moderator then excused Rev. David & Linda Blackburn and representatives were asked to vote.

The vote was counted by the clerk, Linda Blevins and verified by Rev. Gary Watson and Dorothy Witherspoon. While the votes were being tallied Rev. Lawrence Goodman gave a report on the Hispanic Committee. Preparations will be made to have a reception for the Hispanic Minister, Rev. Jesus Padilla.

The clerk then reported that the vote was a majority of yes for Rev. David Blackburn to be the new Director of Missions. Rev. Blackburn accepted this position and state that he would be leaving his job of 27 years and be at the parsonage full time by May 1, 1998. He would be on hand in the evenings until then. "We need to come together."

The other motion on the floor (better job description for D.O.M.) was voted on. Motion carried. The Constitution & By Laws and the Missions Committees are to meet and present this job description at the annual meeting for a vote.

Other new business; Rev. Jim Ketner, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, submitted a motion by the committee to elect the following people to positions for the coming year so they can attend the Key Leadership Conference in May 1998: Brotherhood Director-Mr. Fred Walter, Clerk-Mrs. Linda Blevins, Discipleship Training Director-Mrs. Dorothy Witherspoon, Evangelism Chairperson-Rev. Dayton Roten, Music Director-Mr. Chris Hartley, Seminary Extension Director-Rev. Steve Witherspoon, WMU Director-Mrs. Linda Blackburn and Youth Director-Mr. Karlton Yearick. Motion carried.

The Moderator thanked Landmark for hosting the meeting and asked for any other new business. There was no other new business.

Rev. Garrett Mahaffey suggested that everyone shake hands with the new director. This was done and the Moderator adjourned the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda K. Blevins, Clerk

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING (continued)

The Executive Committee met in conference on Thursday, July 2, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. at Friendship Baptist Church. The meeting was called to order with an opening prayer let by Rev. Steve Witherspoon, Moderator.

The congregation sand "Amazing Grace" led by Rev. Jimmy Warden with Rev. Wayne Osborne accompanying on the piano.

Mr. Fred Walters welcomed everyone and led prayer. The Moderator then read scripture from Matthew 6:33.

The Moderator then asked everyone to read over the minutes silently. Rev. Wayne Osborne moved to accept the minutes as typed. Rev. Jack Miller seconded the motion. Minutes approved.

The treasurer's report was then read silently. Rev. Wayne Osborne made a motion to accept the report as typed. Rev. Larry Powers seconded the motion. Motion carries, report approved.

The roll call of the churches was read by the clerk, Mrs. Linda Blevins with the following 22 churches being represented: Bald Mountain, Bristol, Clifton, Fletcher Memorial, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Glendale Springs, Grassy Creek, Healing Springs, Landmark, Liberty Grove, Midway, Mission Home, Mount Olive, New River, North Beaver, Old Fields, Orion, Phoenix, Tuckerdale, Warrensville and Welcome Home.

The moderator then recognized new pastors and welcomed Rev. Jesus Padilla-Hispanic Mission, Rev. Jimmy Williams-Liberty Grove, Rev. Allen Combs-Pilot Mountain and Rev. Kevin Jones-Healing Springs. He asked that everyone remember in prayer the churches that are without pastors; Midway, Pine Swamp and Welcome Home.

Under old business: Rev. Larry Powers, Constitution & By-Laws Committee, made a point of order notification concerning the change of name of Ashe Baptist Association to Ashe Missionary Baptist Association to be brought up at the Annual Association meeting, Saturday session.

Other old business: Rev. Larry Powers mentioned that the Constitution & By-Laws Committee and the Missions Committee had not met to compile a description for Director of Missions position. Rev. Jimmy Warden agreed to have the Missions Committee draw this up and get approval from the Constitution & By-Laws Committee. The agreed upon statement will be brought before the representatives at the Annual meeting for approval.

The Moderator mentioned that we still did not have a church to host the Friday session (August 14th) of the Annual meeting. Saturday session will be hosted by Friendship Baptist Church.

He then thanked Pastor Padilla for his work with the Hispanic Mission. We then received a report from Pastor Padilla with Mr. Hank Saralegui translating. He shared that there have been 47 people saved so far. There are 37 members at the Mission. He thanked everyone for their help to him and his family and for the love shown to all Hispanics. He said that he could probably never repay us but God can. The services at the church will be: Sunday school at 10:00 a.m., worship service at 11:00 a.m. and Bible teaching on Thursdays. His oldest son was teaching in his place while he attended this meeting. "Thank you and God bless you." He stated that he would give a proper report, he likes to keep everything in order. "Thank you and God bless you."

The Moderator thank Mr. Saralegui for all his help with the Hispanics and thanked them both for their work. The name of the church is *Mision Bautiste, Cristo El Salvador* (Baptist Mission, Christ the Savior).

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
(continued)

Mrs. Dorothy Witherspoon gave a report on Ashe Crisis Pregnancy Center. The Center provides help for girls who have had abortions, tries to lead them to Christ. Also tries to counsel them to help prevent abortions. The Center gets its funding from churches, fund raisers such as Walk-a-thons, etc. She challenged each church to pray and see this as a ministry they could support. "Every 20 seconds an abortion is completed."

The Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn, then gave his report. He feels that everything in the Association is moving forward with a positive air. The Nominating Committee has contacted someone for every position that was vacant and has filled them. The financial giving is up. Salvations were up last quarter more than 3/4. "God has His hand on churches." The support for the Hispanic church has been good. He stated that God has blessed us. He praises God and gives Him the glory. He also stated that every church is important whether it is big or small. If we don't have a church to host the Friday session of the Annual meeting, we can have it at the camp ground. He then shared a report on the Power Team. There were 366 decisions for Christ, 224 first-time decisions and 142 rededications. The ones who got saved were all different ages. The Victory Fellowship Church will go through the cards that were filled out and send them to the Pastors of the church closest to them or the church they list on the card. Three of the Power Team members preached in local churches. Rev. Blackburn wanted everyone to know that he is their servant and he appreciates everyone. "Please call if we can help. Please pray for us." He prays for each church and asks that God bless everyone.

The Moderator then informed everyone that felt led by the Lord to start a new church. (Highlands Community Church) It is a Baptist church. He stated that there are approximately 10,000 unchurched, unsaved persons in the county. He is working with the DOM and the Baptist State Convention to form this church. He is trying to reach the lost in the area.

There was no other business to discuss.

Mr. Fred Walters moved and Rev. Mike Hamby seconded to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned with prayer by Rev. Mike Hamby.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda K. Blevins, Clerk

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION
MISSION HOME BAPTIST CHURCH
Friday Afternoon, August 14, 1998

2:00	**Call to Order**	Moderator, Rev. Steve Witherspoon
	Congregational Hymn (Redeemed)	Mr. Chris Hartley
	Welcome/Devotion	Rev. Ken Furches, Pastor
2:15	**Organization** (see "Rules of Order", page 6)	
	Seating of Messengers	
	Adoption of Order of Business	
	Recognition of Visitors	
	Recognition of New Pastors	
	Committee Appointments (see page 6)	
2:30	**Roll Call of the Churches**	Assn. Clerk, Mrs. Linda Blevins
	History of Mission Home Baptist Church	Mr. Bill Gentry
	Congregational Hymn (Softly and Tenderly)	Mr. Chris Hartley
2:45	**Message**	Rev. Wayne Osborne Pastor, Warrensville Baptist Church
	Alternate	Rev. Johnny Huffman Grassy Creek Baptist Church
3:15	Congregational Hymn (Rescue the Perishing)	Mr. Chris Hartley
3:20	**Miscellaneous Business**	
	Election of Organizational Officers (see page 36)	
	Election of Administrative Committees (see page 36-39)	
	Treasurer's Report	Mrs. Linda Blevins
	Budget Report	Mrs. Melissa Goodman
	Consideration of Addition to DOM Job Description (see page10)	
	Comments on Term "Missionary" (see page 10)	
4:00	**Reports** Institutions Agencies Missions	
	10 minutes each (see "Rules of Order", page 6)	
4:00	Baptist Children's Homes	Rev. C.F. McDowell
4:10	N.C. Baptist Hospital	Dr. James Murphy
4:20	Gardner-Webb University	Rev. Bruce Rabon
4:30	Fruitland Bible Institute (Director of Campus Services)	Mr. Todd Edmiston
4:40	State Missions	Rev. Tom Lolley
4:50	Foreign Missions (DOM - Three Forks)	Rev. Ken Boaz
5:00	**Special Music**	Mrs. Mary Jane Hartley

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION
MISSION HOME BAPTIST CHURCH
Friday Afternoon, August 14, 1998

5:05	Annual Message	Rev. Charles McCoy Pastor, Mount Olive Baptist Church
	Alternate	Rev. Jack Miller Pastor, Old Fields Baptist Church
5:40	Adjourn for evening meal, Blessing	Rev. Ken Furches Pastor, Mission Home Baptist Church
6:45	Congregational Hymn (Trust and Obey)	Mr. Chris Hartley
6:50	**Scripture and Prayer**	Rev. Bill Ballou
6:55	**Special Singing**	Mission Home Youth Choir
7:05	**Mission Sermon**	Rev. Lawrence Goodman Pastor, Bald Mountain Baptist Church
	Alternate	Rev. Dayton Roten Pastor, Phoenix Baptist Church
7:30	**Mission Reports** 5 minutes each (see "Rules of Order", page 6)	
	South Africa	Mr. Todd Brewer
	Ukraine	Rev. Jim Rash, Ph.D.
	Medical Missions	Dr. Greg Hershner
	Hispanic Ministry	Rev. Jesus Padilla
	Director of Missions	Rev. David Blackburn
	WMU (Women's Missionary Union)	Mrs. Linda Blackburn
	Brotherhood	Mr. Fred Walters
8:05	Congregational Hymn (I Love to Tell the Story)	Mr. Chris Hartley
8:10	**Reports** (Associational) 5 minutes each (See "Rules of Order", page 6)	
	Southern Baptist Annuity	Rev. Carroll Arant
	Youth Council Report	Mr. Karlton Yearick
	Executive Committee	Rev. Steve Witherspoon
	Vacation Bible School	Mrs. Amy Rexrode
	Christian Action League	Mr. Delmas Parker
8:35	**Benediction**	Rev. Ken Furches Pastor, Mission Home Baptist Church

The morning session begins at 9:00 a.m.
Hosted by Friendship Baptist Church

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION
FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH
Saturday Morning, August 15, 1998

9:00	Call to Order	Moderator, Mr. Jerry Powers
	Congregational Hymn (Leaning on the Everlasting Arms)	Mr. Chris Hartley
	Welcome and Devotion	Rev. Mike Hamby Pastor, Friendship Baptist Church
9:15	Roll of the Churches	Mrs. Linda Blevins
9:20	History of Friendship Baptist Church	Mr. Fred Walters
9:25	Special Music	To be announced
9:35	Message	Rev. Ronnie McMillan Pastor, Landmark Baptist Church
	Alternate	Rev. Kevin Jones Pastor, Healing Springs Baptist Church
10:00	Reports — Local Organizational Heads 5 minutes each (see "Rules of Order", page 6)	
	Discipleship Training	Mrs. Linda Blackburn
	Church Music	Dr. Wade Ivey
	Sunday School	Mrs. Dorothy Witherspoon
	Historian	Rev. Bill Ballou
10:20	Congregational Hymn & Offering for Hispanic Mission (Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus)	Mr. Chris Hartley
10:25	Business Session	
	Adoption of Associational Budget	Mrs. Melissa Goodman
	Other business	
	Resolutions Committee	Rev. David Lambert
	Report of Time/Place Preacher Committee	Mr. Colonel Blevins
	Approval of Minutes	Mrs. Linda Blevins
11:45	Memorial Service	Rev. Chuck Call Pastor, Clifton Baptist Church
12:05	Benediction & blessing on food	Rev. Mike Hamby Pastor, Friendship Baptist Church

Adjourn meeting: Lunch will be served.

Church Statistical Information

1. Congregational Profiles
2. Bible Study
3. Discipleship Training
4. General Financial
5. Member and Congregational
6. Mission Financial
7. Music Ministry

CONGREGATIONAL PROFILES

Congregation	Church/ Mission	Total Bapt	Other Adds	Total Church Memb.	Sunday School Enroll.	Sunday School Avg. Attd.	VBS Enroll.
Apple Grove	C	0	2	121	37	35	0
Bald Mountain	C	17	42	513	327	168	185
Beaver Creek	C	5	5	139	66	55	64
Bethel	C	0	1	122	54	59	36
Big Flatts	C	1	4	105	42	0	39
Big Laurel	C	0	0	20	0	0	0
Blue Ridge	C	2	0	46	20	20	18
Bristol	C	10	9	322	121	95	125
Buffalo	C	0	3	102	79	55	49
Calvary	C	0	6	70	42	36	31
Clifton	C	2	12	257	87	68	100
Farmers Memorial	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fletcher Memorial	C	4	1	374	138	79	129
Friendly Grove	C	18	4	293	175	86	125
Friendship	C	22	17	412	150	112	236
Glendale Springs	C	0	0	173	163	85	96
Grassy Creek	C	1	4	142	37	24	39
Healing Springs	C	0	5	195	76	60	65
Highlands Community	M	0	0	17	17	17	0
Landmark	C	3	0	150	115	85	110
Laurel Knob	C	0	0	97	39	27	40
Liberty Grove	C	0	0	201	72	48	29
Little Helton	C	1	0	97	50	33	34
Midway	C	5	0	298	210	79	97
Mision Bautiste, Cristo	M	0	37	37	25	25	0
Mission Home	C	2	4	141	73	67	89
Mount Olive	C	0	2	75	74	43	45
New River	C	3	3	254	116	75	92
North Beaver	C	1	12	192	123	52	100
Oak Hill	C	0	0	156	38	28	0
Obids	C	0	3	54	37	30	28
Old Fields	C	5	5	106	73	50	78
Orion	C	6	2	168	63	45	56
Peak Valley	C	0	0	22	34	25	0
Phoenix	C	3	12	170	89	55	104
Pilot Mountain	C	0	0	86	21	18	0
Pine Swamp	C	0	0	67	32	30	18
Pleasant Home	C	0	2	138	67	40	42
Pleasant Valley	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prosperity	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Round Knob	C	0	0	133	34	25	32
Sabbath Home	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Three Forks	C	0	0	100	25	25	0
Trinity	C	91	79	541	251	125	249
Tuckerdale	C	10	4	173	90	74	93
Wagoner	C	0	2	39	40	25	46
Warrensville	C	8	23	330	192	94	145
Welcome Home	C	0	0	107	51	45	46
		220	305	7355	3665	2322	2909

For 1997-98 Associational Year

Disciple Training Enroll.	Church Music Enroll.	WMU Enroll.	Brother-Hood Enroll.	Total Receipts	Total Co-op Program	Total Assn. Missions	Total Mission Expend.
0	0	0	0	$5,479	$100	$50	$150
77	85	45	21	$221,979	$9,481	$3,750	$29,179
0	29	0	0	$38,421	$0	$932	$2,912
0	11	0	0	$25,727	$55	$0	$355
0	42	0	0	$22,581	$102	$750	$1,490
0	4	0	0	$1,723	$0	$420	$480
0	0	0	0	$21,577	$0	$0	$3,570
0	30	0	0	$68,129	$2,740	$2,511	$5,858
6	33	9	0	$35,043	$974	$425	$2,507
29	25	11	0	$12,118	$100	$100	$1,311
0	23	12	0	$62,879	$1,169	$1,412	$6,076
0	0	0	0	$0	$0	$0	$0
171	25	42	27	$141,104	$9,655	$4,581	$37,058
0	68	65	0	$102,175	$4,225	$3,400	$16,495
29	55	66	63	$183,427	$14,770	$2,480	$28,892
0	92	0	0	$82,365	$420	$2,224	$9,358
0	14	0	0	$37,754	$2,226	$810	$5,935
7	22	15	9	$32,706	$1,382	$1,382	$4,981
51	16	9	0	$4,979	$0	$0	$2,400
0	76	30	34	$42,285	$0	$1,200	$7,005
77	17	0	0	$48,491	$735	$1,977	$5,928
72	34	0	0	$55,431	$1,500	$2,000	$10,540
0	0	0	0	$9,347	$84	$150	$234
66	63	30	15	$103,506	$8,983	$1,800	$20,251
10	10	0	0	$0	$0	$0	$0
45	31	29	8	$67,897	$3,000	$1,050	$7,974
0	0	0	0	$0	$350	$1,000	$2,150
34	55	12	0	$99,691	$4,362	$3,490	$22,777
53	25	17	0	$36,700	$673	$841	$3,584
0	16	0	0	$21,967	$0	$0	$3,572
0	17	0	0	$18,527	$550	$800	$3,120
35	18	16	11	$49,939	$6,534	$1,350	$14,977
0	25	22	0	$51,666	$2,705	$1,803	$8,650
0	0	0	0	$9,872	$100	$100	$300
25	37	6	25	$60,448	$900	$1,000	$2,982
0	15	0	0	$6,524	$0	$323	$323
0	0	0	0	$11,873	$200	$150	$650
0	14	0	0	$55,734	$850	$2,551	$6,206
0	0	0	0	$0	$0	$0	$0
0	0	0	0	$0	$0	$0	$0
0	0	0	0	$18,382	$692	$519	$1,211
0	0	0	0	$0	$0	$0	$0
0	0	0	0	$0	$0	$1,200	$1,200
281	139	194	159	$176,405	$1,608	$536	$29,839
0	0	0	0	$33,039	$600	$1,500	$4,437
0	15	5	0	$19,723	$109	$500	$3,377
0	102	19	0	$93,286	$1,800	$600	$8,885
0	24	4	0	$7,461	$2,084	$1,532	$4,311
1068	1307	658	372	$2,198,360	$85,818	$52,979	$331,298

BIBLE STUDY INFORMATION

	15 - Total SS Enrollment	15b - Children 6-11	15d - Adults 18-24
	15a - Preschool Birth-5	15c - Youth 12-17	15e - Adults 25-34

CONGREGATION	C/M	15	15a	15b	15c	15d
APPLE GROVE	C	37	5	6	4	2
BALD MOUNTAIN	C	327	34	27	59	15
BEAVER CREEK	C	66	8	16	8	5
BETHEL	C	54	5	5	8	5
BIG FLATTS	C	42	6	4	4	1
BIG LAUREL	C	0	0	0	0	0
BLUE RIDGE	C	20	4	0	2	0
BRISTOL	C	121	11	21	9	2
BUFFALO	C	79	4	6	5	4
CALVARY	C	42	1	3	4	0
CLIFTON	C	87	5	8	6	11
FARMERS MEMORIAL	C	0	0	0	0	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	C	138	7	11	17	11
FRIENDLY GROVE	C	175	18	32	20	0
FRIENDSHIP	C	150	16	22	13	12
GLENDALE SPRINGS	C	163	10	10	9	2
GRASSY CREEK	C	37	0	4	2	3
HEALING SPRINGS	C	76	12	6	10	1
HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY	M	17	1	0	1	2
HISPANIC MINISTRY	M	0	0	0	0	0
LANDMARK	C	115	8	14	3	10
LAUREL KNOB	C	39	4	3	6	3
LIBERTY GROVE	C	72	10	4	3	9
LITTLE HELTON	C	50	5	2	8	4
MIDWAY	C	210	18	24	15	4
MISSION HOME	C	73	5	5	14	4
MOUNT OLIVE	C	74	8	5	6	7
NEW RIVER	C	116	8	16	23	8
NORTH BEAVER	C	123	4	31	14	10
OAK HILL	C	38	0	3	0	2
OBIDS	C	37	3	2	8	0
OLD FIELDS	C	73	2	8	8	8
ORION	C	63	4	5	6	5
PEAK VALLEY	C	34	2	2	6	1
PHOENIX	C	89	9	5	14	4
PILOT MOUNTAIN	C	21	1	2	1	0
PINE SWAMP	C	32	3	4	4	0
PLEASANT HOME	C	67	7	8	6	3
PLEASANT VALLEY	C	0	0	0	0	0
PROSPERITY	C	0	0	0	0	0
ROUND KNOB	C	34	1	2	4	6
SABBATH HOME	C	0	0	0	0	0
THREE FORKS	C	25	2	0	0	2
TRINITY	C	251	16	34	36	25
TUCKERDALE	C	90	8	12	6	5
WAGONER	C	40	3	2	0	2
WARRENSVILLE	C	192	22	39	31	10
WELCOME HOME	C	51	4	7	7	3
Association Total:		3,640	304	420	410	211

15f - Adults 35-54 **15h - General Officers** **16 - SS Avg Weekly Att.**
15g - Adults 55-Up **15i - Other Bible Study** **17 - SS Not Cong. Members**

18 - Vacation Bible School

15e	15f	15g	15h	15i	16	17	18
3	10	7	0	0	35	0	0
28	64	70	2	28	168	19	185
11	8	10	0	0	55	7	64
4	11	15	1	0	59	11	36
5	12	8	2	0	0	0	39
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	14	0	0	20	0	18
10	15	35	18	0	95	0	125
8	20	30	2	0	55	10	49
1	14	14	5	0	36	0	31
17	24	11	5	0	68	6	100
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	30	60	2	0	79	2	129
9	9	72	3	12	86	0	125
18	29	37	3	0	112	9	236
12	28	40	2	50	85	10	96
0	6	22	0	0	24	5	39
5	15	27	0	0	60	0	65
0	9	1	3	0	17	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	28	29	3	0	85	6	110
5	9	3	6	0	27	0	40
12	17	17	0	0	48	0	29
10	9	9	3	0	33	5	34
24	29	32	0	64	79	0	97
4	16	25	0	0	67	0	89
14	20	8	6	0	43	4	45
4	25	30	2	0	75	3	92
6	38	14	0	6	52	44	100
0	16	17	0	0	28	0	0
2	8	14	0	0	30	0	28
3	14	27	3	0	80	2	78
11	10	20	2	0	45	6	55
11	6	6	0	0	25	0	0
9	19	26	3	0	55	1	104
4	4	9	0	0	18	0	0
6	14	0	1	0	30	1	18
4	10	5	4	20	40	0	42
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	5	8	6	0	25	0	32
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	15	4	0	0	25	8	0
43	44	12	0	35	125	12	249
19	15	21	4	0	74	7	93
6	15	7	5	0	25	0	46
11	44	31	4	0	94	30	145
6	13	10	1	0	45	15	46
369	**747**	**857**	**107**	**215**	**2,297**	**223**	**2,909**

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING INFORMATION

19 - Total Ongoing Discipleship Training

19a - Ongoing Presch. B-5

19b - Ongoing Child. 6-11

19c - Ongoing Youth 12-17

CONGREGATION	C/M	19	19a	19b	19c
APPLE GROVE	C	0	0	0	0
BALD MOUNTAIN	C	0	0	0	0
BEAVER CREEK	C	0	0	0	0
BETHEL	C	0	0	0	0
BIG FLATTS	C	0	0	0	0
BIG LAUREL	C	0	0	0	0
BLUE RIDGE	C	0	0	0	0
BRISTOL	C	0	0	0	0
BUFFALO	C	6	0	0	0
CALVARY	C	29	0	4	4
CLIFTON	C	0	0	0	0
FARMERS MEMORIAL	C	0	0	0	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	C	62	0	6	16
FRIENDLY GROVE	C	0	0	0	0
FRIENDSHIP	C	29	0	0	0
GLENDALE SPRINGS	C	0	0	0	0
GRASSY CREEK	C	0	0	0	0
HEALING SPRINGS	C	6	1	1	3
HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY	M	8	0	0	0
HISPANIC MINISTRY	M	0	0	0	0
LANDMARK	C	0	0	0	0
LAUREL KNOB	C	14	0	0	4
LIBERTY GROVE	C	72	10	4	3
LITTLE HELTON	C	0	0	0	0
MIDWAY	C	66	3	19	15
MISSION HOME	C	45	0	4	16
MOUNT OLIVE	C	0	0	0	0
NEW RIVER	C	18	0	0	0
NORTH BEAVER	C	53	8	9	23
OAK HILL	C	0	0	0	0
OBIDS	C	0	0	0	0
OLD FIELDS	C	35	0	1	10
ORION	C	0	0	0	0
PEAK VALLEY	C	0	0	0	0
PHOENIX	C	25	3	3	6
PILOT MOUNTAIN	C	0	0	0	0
PINE SWAMP	C	0	0	0	0
PLEASANT HOME	C	0	0	0	0
PLEASANT VALLEY	C	0	0	0	0
PROSPERITY	C	0	0	0	0
ROUND KNOB	C	0	0	0	0
SABBATH HOME	C	0	0	0	0
THREE FORKS	C	0	0	0	0
TRINITY	C	141	10	28	30
TUCKERDALE	C	0	0	0	0
WAGONER	C	0	0	0	0
WARRENSVILLE	C	0	0	0	0
WELCOME HOME	C	0	0	0	0
	Association Total:	609	35	79	130

20 - Total Short-Term DT **20c - Short-Term Youth**

20a - Short-Term Preschool **20d - Short-Term Adults - Gen. Officers**

20b - Short-Term Children **DTEN(19+20) - Total DT Enrollment/Participation**

19d	19e	20	20a	20b	20c	20d	DTEN
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	77	0	15	34	28	77
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
20	1	0	0	0	0	0	29
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
38	2	109	8	30	26	45	171
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
29	0	0	0	9	0	0	29
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	0	0	1	7
8	0	43	0	0	0	43	51
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	2	63	0	0	19	44	77
55	0	0	0	0	0	0	72
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
29	0	0	0	0	0	0	66
24	1	0	0	0	0	0	45
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	1	16	0	4	10	2	34
10	3	0	0	0	0	4	53
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	2	0	0	0	0	0	35
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	1	0	0	0	0	0	25
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
50	23	140	0	75	35	30	281
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
327	**38**	**449**	**8**	**133**	**124**	**197**	**1,058**

GENERAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Items Reported:
26 - Undesignated Gifts
27 - Designated Gifts

CONGREGATION	C/M	26	27
APPLE GROVE	C	$5,091	$388
BALD MOUNTAIN	C	$160,420	$61,559
BEAVER CREEK	C	$38,421	$0
BETHEL	C	$24,047	$1,680
BIG FLATTS	C	$19,281	$3,300
BIG LAUREL	C	$1,580	$0
BLUE RIDGE	C	$18,007	$3,570
BRISTOL	C	$61,514	$6,178
BUFFALO	C	$33,441	$1,602
CALVARY	C	$12,118	$0
CLIFTON	C	$52,527	$10,353
FARMERS MEMORIAL	C	$0	$0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	C	$120,693	$16,993
FRIENDLY GROVE	C	$93,555	$8,620
FRIENDSHIP	C	$139,687	$33,740
GLENDALE SPRINGS	C	$81,117	$1,149
GRASSY CREEK	C	$34,840	$1,365
HEALING SPRINGS	C	$25,027	$4,379
HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY	M	$4,979	$0
HISPANIC MINISTRY	M	$0	$0
LANDMARK	C	$26,158	$16,128
LAUREL KNOB	C	$38,735	$8,959
LIBERTY GROVE	C	$50,491	$4,940
LITTLE HELTON	C	$6,493	$2,854
MIDWAY	C	$89,135	$11,892
MISSION HOME	C	$66,487	$1,410
MOUNT OLIVE	C	$0	$0
NEW RIVER	C	$87,250	$12,340
NORTH BEAVER	C	$36,000	$700
OAK HILL	C	$21,967	$0
OBIDS	C	$18,527	$0
OLD FIELDS	C	$42,085	$7,432
ORION	C	$45,673	$5,965
PEAK VALLEY	C	$9,491	$381
PHOENIX	C	$58,349	$1,182
PILOT MOUNTAIN	C	$5,291	$497
PINE SWAMP	C	$9,273	$2,600
PLEASANT HOME	C	$42,519	$13,215
PLEASANT VALLEY	C	$0	$0
PROSPERITY	C	$0	$0
ROUND KNOB	C	$18,382	$0
SABBATH HOME	C	$0	$0
THREE FORKS	C	$0	$0
TRINITY	C	$147,838	$27,202
TUCKERDALE	C	$31,281	$1,758
WAGONER	C	$18,713	$1,010
WARRENSVILLE	C	$66,594	$25,860
WELCOME HOME	C	$1,961	$5,500
	Association Total:	$1,865,038	$306,700

28 - Other Receipts
TREC(26+27+28) - Total Receipts
36 - Value - Cong. Property
37 - Congregational Debt

28	TREC	36	37
$0	$5,479	$75,000	$0
$0	$221,979	$450,000	$0
$0	$38,421	$200,000	$25,000
$0	$25,727	$215,000	$0
$0	$22,581	$203,500	$0
$143	$1,723	$95,000	$0
$0	$21,577	$125,000	$0
$437	$68,129	$100,000	$0
$0	$35,043	$225,000	$0
$0	$12,118	$215,000	$0
$0	$62,879	$169,500	$0
$0	$0	$0	$0
$3,418	$141,104	$1,082,465	$0
$0	$102,175	$750,000	$5,000
$10,000	$183,427	$698,700	$28,000
$99	$82,365	$500,000	$0
$1,549	$37,754	$250,000	$0
$3,300	$32,706	$182,700	$610
$0	$4,979	$0	$0
$0	$0	$0	$0
$0	$42,285	$303,200	$8,540
$797	$48,491	$270,000	$0
$0	$55,431	$385,000	$0
$0	$9,347	$66,000	$0
$2,479	$103,506	$630,000	$0
$0	$67,897	$210	$0
$0	$0	$120,000	$7,300
$101	$99,691	$200,000	$1,700
$0	$36,700	$391,500	$4,525
$0	$21,967	$100,000	$0
$0	$18,527	$105,000	$0
$422	$49,939	$280,000	$0
$28	$51,666	$300,000	$0
$0	$9,872	$26,400	$0
$917	$60,448	$500,000	$12,700
$736	$6,524	$271,400	$0
$0	$11,873	$80,000	$0
$0	$55,734	$200,000	$1,364
$0	$0	$0	$0
$0	$0	$0	$0
$0	$18,382	$100,000	$0
$0	$0	$0	$0
$0	$0	$95,000	$0
$1,365	$176,405	$250,000	$0
$0	$33,039	$250,000	$0
$0	$19,723	$13,000	$0
$832	$93,286	$410,703	$0
$0	$7,461	$0	$0
$26,623	**$2,198,361**	**$10,884,278**	**$94,739**

MEMBER AND CONGREGATIONAL INFORMATION

			1 - Total Membership	2 - Resident Membership	4 - Other Additions
CONGREGATION	C/M	COUNTY	1	2	4
APPLE GROVE	C	ASHE	121	119	2
BALD MOUNTAIN	C	Ashe	513	450	42
BEAVER CREEK	C	Ashe	139	99	5
BETHEL	C	Ashe	122	57	1
BIG FLATTS	C	Ashe	105	73	4
BIG LAUREL	C	Ashe	20	2	0
BLUE RIDGE	C	Ashe	46	43	0
BRISTOL	C	Ashe	322	288	9
BUFFALO	C	Ashe	102	90	3
CALVARY	C	Ashe	70	50	6
CLIFTON	C	Ashe	257	85	12
FARMERS MEMORIAL	C		0	0	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	C	Ashe	374	334	1
FRIENDLY GROVE	C	Ashe	293	230	4
FRIENDSHIP	C	Ashe	412	368	17
GLENDALE SPRINGS	C	Ashe	173	120	0
GRASSY CREEK	C	Ashe	142	82	4
HEALING SPRINGS	C	Ashe	195	114	5
HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY	M	Ashe	17	17	0
HISPANIC MINISTRY	M		0	0	0
LANDMARK	C	Ashe	150	125	0
LAUREL KNOB	C	Ashe	97	72	0
LIBERTY GROVE	C	Ashe	201	109	0
LITTLE HELTON	C	Ashe	97	44	0
MIDWAY	C	Ashe	298	230	0
MISSION HOME	C	Ashe	141	114	4
MOUNT OLIVE	C	Ashe	75	67	2
NEW RIVER	C	Ashe	254	120	3
NORTH BEAVER	C	Ashe	192	145	12
OAK HILL	C	Ashe	156	87	0
OBIDS	C	Ashe	54	49	3
OLD FIELDS	C	Ashe	106	85	5
ORION	C	Ashe	168	147	2
PEAK VALLEY	C	Ashe	22	12	0
PHOENIX	C	Ashe	170	140	12
PILOT MOUNTAIN	C	Watauga	86	86	0
PINE SWAMP	C	Ashe	67	46	0
PLEASANT HOME	C	Ashe	138	101	2
PLEASANT VALLEY	C	Ashe	0	0	0
PROSPERITY	C		0	0	0
ROUND KNOB	C	Ashe	133	98	0
SABBATH HOME	C	Ashe	0	0	0
THREE FORKS	C	Ashe	100	75	0
TRINITY	C	Watauga	541	463	79
TUCKERDALE	C	Ashe	173	151	4
WAGONER	C	Ashe	39	35	2
WARRENSVILLE	C	Ashe	330	180	23
WELCOME HOME	C	Ashe	107	70	0
		Association Total:	7,318	5,472	268

5 - New Member Training
6 - Year Organized
7 - Year Pastor Came
8 - Location (A-J)
9 - AM Worship Att.
10 - Church-Type Missions Started
11 - Church-Type Missions Operating
12 - Lost/Unchurched
13 - Assoc. Mis. on % Basis
14 - Intercessory Prayer
Racial Ethnic Group (1-7)

5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Ri
0	1889	1986	A	40	0	0	N	Y	N	1
37	1810	1991	A	250	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
0	1890	1990	A	70	0	0	N	Y	N	1
0	1857	1968	A	54	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
0	1905	1995	A	0	0	0	N	N	N	1
0	1880	1989	A	8	0	0				1
0	1887	1994	A	30	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
10	1888	1973	B	150	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1869	1997	A	60	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1960	1995	C	45	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1891	1996	A	110	0	0	Y	N	N	1
0				0	0	0				1
0	1953	1991	C	132	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1945	1996	A	130	0	0	Y	N	N	1
0	1880	1996	A	183	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1914	1992	A	120	0	0	N	Y	Y	1
0	1929	1997	B	31	0	0	N	Y	N	1
0	1884	1998	A	81	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1998	1998	A	13	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
0				0	0	0				3
0	1856	1998	A	88	4	4	Y	N	Y	1
0	1912	1984	A	50	0	0	N	N	Y	1
0	1915	1998	A	56	0	0	N	Y	Y	1
0	1923	1991	A	45	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
0	1954		A	105	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
2	1892	1997	A	70	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
0	1941	1996	A	53	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1885	1976	A	95	0	0	N	Y	N	1
5	1943	1990	A	105	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1927	1995	A	25	0	0	Y	N	N	1
0	1892	1995	A	30	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
5	1803	1995	A	85	0	0	Y	Y	N	1
0	1911	1996	A	75	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1892	1996	A	25	0	0	N	N	Y	1
0	1908	1997	A	50	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1886	1998	A	21	0	0	N	Y	N	1
0	1948		A	40	0	0	N	N	N	1
0	1870	1996	A	47	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0				0	0	0				1
0				0	0	0				1
0	1940	1983	A	0	0	0	N	Y	Y	1
0				0	0	0				1
0	835	1995		25	0	0	N	N	N	1
170	1975	1994	A	275	1	3	Y	Y	Y	7
0	1915	1997	A	72	0	0	N	N	Y	1
0	1939	1997	A	35	0	0	N	Y	N	1
31	1870	1996	A	98	7	12	Y	N	N	1
0		1995	A	66	0	0	N	Y	Y	1
260				3,143	12	19				

MISSION FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Items Reported:

29 - Cooperative Program

30 - Assoc. Missions

CONGREGATION	C/M	29	30
APPLE GROVE	C	$100	$50
BALD MOUNTAIN	C	$9,481	$3,750
BEAVER CREEK	C	$0	$932
BETHEL	C	$55	$0
BIG FLATTS	C	$102	$750
BIG LAUREL	C	$0	$420
BLUE RIDGE	C	$0	$0
BRISTOL	C	$2,740	$2,511
BUFFALO	C	$974	$425
CALVARY	C	$100	$100
CLIFTON	C	$1,169	$1,412
FARMERS MEMORIAL	C	$0	$0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	C	$9,655	$4,581
FRIENDLY GROVE	C	$4,225	$3,400
FRIENDSHIP	C	$14,770	$2,460
GLENDALE SPRINGS	C	$420	$2,224
GRASSY CREEK	C	$2,226	$810
HEALING SPRINGS	C	$1,382	$1,382
HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY	M	$0	$0
HISPANIC MINISTRY	M	$0	$0
LANDMARK	C	$0	$1,200
LAUREL KNOB	C	$735	$1,977
LIBERTY GROVE	C	$1,500	$2,000
LITTLE HELTON	C	$84	$150
MIDWAY	C	$8,983	$1,600
MISSION HOME	C	$3,000	$1,050
MOUNT OLIVE	C	$350	$1,000
NEW RIVER	C	$4,362	$3,490
NORTH BEAVER	C	$673	$841
OAK HILL	C	$0	$0
OBIDS	C	$550	$800
OLD FIELDS	C	$6,534	$1,350
ORION	C	$2,705	$1,803
PEAK VALLEY	C	$100	$100
PHOENIX	C	$900	$1,000
PILOT MOUNTAIN	C	$0	$323
PINE SWAMP	C	$200	$150
PLEASANT HOME	C	$850	$2,551
PLEASANT VALLEY	C	$0	$0
PROSPERITY	C	$0	$0
ROUND KNOB	C	$692	$519
SABBATH HOME	C	$0	$0
THREE FORKS	C	$0	$1,200
TRINITY	C	$1,608	$536
TUCKERDALE	C	$600	$1,500
WAGONER	C	$109	$500
WARRENSVILLE	C	$1,800	$600
WELCOME HOME	C	$2,084	$1,532
	Association Total:	$85,818	$52,979

31 - State Missions 33 - Lottie Moon

35 - Non-SBC Miss. Exp. 32 - Annie Armstrong 34 - Other SBC Miss. Exp.

TME(29thru35) - Total Mission Expenditures

31	32	33	34	35	TME
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$150
$500	$424	$2,075	$0	$12,949	$29,179
$0	$100	$100	$1,530	$250	$2,912
$0	$0	$100	$0	$200	$355
$0	$138	$500	$0	$0	$1,490
$0	$0	$0	$60	$0	$480
$500	$585	$655	$1,830	$0	$3,570
$0	$0	$605	$0	$0	$5,856
$30	$439	$505	$0	$134	$2,507
$200	$303	$608	$0	$0	$1,311
$1,200	$600	$600	$0	$1,095	$6,076
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
$0	$3,882	$5,087	$2,282	$11,571	$37,058
$2,300	$2,592	$3,578	$400	$0	$16,495
$250	$3,282	$4,115	$1,815	$0	$26,692
$100	$458	$390	$300	$5,466	$9,358
$200	$275	$275	$44	$2,105	$5,935
$829	$256	$281	$361	$490	$4,981
$0	$0	$0	$2,000	$400	$2,400
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
$600	$600	$1,400	$2,399	$806	$7,005
$602	$0	$1,470	$0	$1,142	$5,926
$600	$0	$4,940	$0	$1,500	$10,540
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$234
$3,494	$1,211	$2,057	$1,330	$1,576	$20,251
$0	$700	$710	$0	$2,514	$7,974
$200	$200	$400	$0	$0	$2,150
$418	$1,758	$2,472	$4,240	$6,037	$22,777
$0	$243	$227	$0	$1,600	$3,584
$0	$0	$833	$240	$2,499	$3,572
$0	$0	$0	$0	$1,770	$3,120
$29	$1,305	$1,927	$72	$3,760	$14,977
$333	$1,000	$1,600	$0	$1,209	$8,650
$0	$0	$100	$0	$0	$300
$0	$400	$682	$0	$0	$2,982
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$323
$200	$50	$50	$0	$0	$650
$850	$685	$1,270	$0	$0	$6,206
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$1,211
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$1,200
$0	$1,425	$1,614	$12,328	$12,328	$29,839
$0	$0	$500	$1,100	$737	$4,437
$400	$200	$522	$709	$937	$3,377
$1,236	$880	$250	$0	$4,129	$8,895
$0	$250	$445	$0	$0	$4,311
$15,071	**$24,241**	**$42,944**	**$33,040**	**$77,204**	**$331,297**

MUSIC MINISTRY INFORMATION

Items Reported:

21 - Total Music Ministry Enrollment

21a - Preschool 3-5 yrs.

CONGREGATION	C/M	21	21a
APPLE GROVE	C	0	0
BALD MOUNTAIN	C	85	13
BEAVER CREEK	C	29	2
BETHEL	C	11	0
BIG FLATTS	C	42	5
BIG LAUREL	C	4	0
BLUE RIDGE	C	0	0
BRISTOL	C	30	0
BUFFALO	C	33	1
CALVARY	C	25	1
CLIFTON	C	23	0
FARMERS MEMORIAL	C	0	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	C	25	0
FRIENDLY GROVE	C	68	5
FRIENDSHIP	C	55	3
GLENDALE SPRINGS	C	92	8
GRASSY CREEK	C	14	0
HEALING SPRINGS	C	22	0
HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY	M	16	0
HISPANIC MINISTRY	M	0	0
LANDMARK	C	76	6
LAUREL KNOB	C	17	1
LIBERTY GROVE	C	34	1
LITTLE HELTON	C	0	0
MIDWAY	C	64	5
MISSION HOME	C	31	0
MOUNT OLIVE	C	0	0
NEW RIVER	C	55	3
NORTH BEAVER	C	25	0
OAK HILL	C	16	0
OBIDS	C	17	0
OLD FIELDS	C	18	0
ORION	C	25	0
PEAK VALLEY	C	0	0
PHOENIX	C	37	2
PILOT MOUNTAIN	C	15	0
PINE SWAMP	C	0	0
PLEASANT HOME	C	14	0
PLEASANT VALLEY	C	0	0
PROSPERITY	C	0	0
ROUND KNOB	C	0	0
SABBATH HOME	C	0	0
THREE FORKS	C	0	0
TRINITY	C	139	0
TUCKERDALE	C	0	0
WAGONER	C	15	0
WARRENSVILLE	C	102	9
WELCOME HOME	C	24	0
Association Total		1,297	65

21b - Children 6-11 yrs. **21d - Adult Choir 18-Up**
21c - Youth 12-17 yrs. **21e - Other Music Groups**

21b	21c	21d	21e
0	0	0	0
9	8	55	0
5	4	18	0
0	0	11	0
3	4	26	4
0	0	0	4
0	0	0	0
3	4	23	0
0	0	24	8
4	5	15	0
2	4	17	0
0	0	0	0
0	0	18	7
23	5	35	0
20	2	25	5
4	1	45	34
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Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

One Hundred Thirteenth Annual Session

Friday, August 20, 1999
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Beaver Creek Baptist Church

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A Special Thanks

Rev. David Blackburn, Director of Missions and Sherry Severt, Office Assistant would like to thank all the volunteers who made this minute book possible.

God bless you all!

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Rev. Clay Warf	Baptist Foundation
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Rev. Wiley Faw	Annual Message
Rev. Dayton Roten	Mission Sermon
Rev. Rick Cornejo	Saturday Message

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The 1999/2000 Ashe Baptist Association is dedicated in Honor of: Virginia Bowers Sexton

On August 21, 1999 Virginia Bowers Sexton attended her 74th Ashe Baptist Association annual meeting held at Orion, her home church. Mrs. Sexton, who was born to Baxter and Kate Bare Bowers on December 31, 1915, a warm sunny day, attended her first convention at the age of ten. She remembers that day when the convention was held at Orion, and her whole family walked across the mountain and carried food in large baskets made by Mr. Elijah Patrick. She remembers that there were no women delegates and that the delegates spent the night with church members. The delegates from Warrensville and Phoenix spent the night at the Bowers' home.

Virginia made a profession of faith at age 15 and joined Orion Baptist Church where she has been a member all her life. Virginia eloped with the Rev. E.Z. Sexton on August 10, 1939. They rode the *Virginia Creeper* to Damascus where they wed. To this union were born nine children, five girls and four boys. In addition she became stepmother to nine children from Rev. Sexton's first marriage. All of the children and grandchildren affectionately call her "Mom". Her friends and neighbors remember her warm hospitality and good home cooked meals, especially her delicious chicken and dumplings and fluffy biscuits.

Rev. and Mrs. Sexton celebrated forty-one years of married life before he passed away June 1, 1980 at age 94. Her family feels that Proverbs 31: 10-31 exemplifies her life of hard work raising her children and supporting her husband as pastor of many churches in Ashe County: "Her children arise up and call her blessed; her husband also"

God willing, Mrs. Sexton will attend her 75th consecutive Ashe Baptist associational meeting in the year 2000.

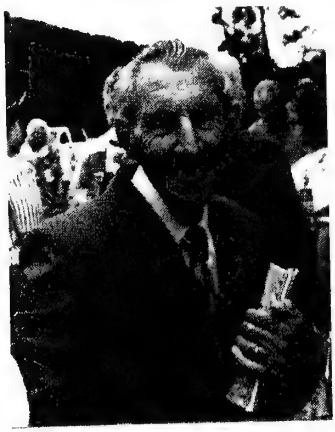
The 1999/2000 Ashe Baptist Association is dedicated in memory of: Edna Miller Gilley

Edna Miller Gilley was born in the Fleetwood community of Ashe County on August 10, 1921 to Sewell Phillip Miller and Dora Alice Long Miller. She accepted Christ as her Savior when she was a young girl and was a member of Libery Grove Baptist Church through her youth.

She married Reverend Will Gilley on December 21, 1940 and they served God together until God called him hom on September 7, 1986. They have five children: Joyce, Jim, Jerry, David, and Donnie.

Edna was a faithful member of North Beaver Baptist Church from November 1939 until God called her home on January 20, 1999. She enjoyed writing poems of the love that God has for his children and her desire to see her Jesus who gave his life for her on the cross of Calvary. Now all that she longed for has come. She enjoys praising her Jesus and is waiting to see you there.

The 1999/2000 Ashe Baptist Association is dedicated in memory of: Reverend John Davis



Rev. John Davis was born on September 1, 1918 in Rugby, Virginia. He lived in Grassy Creek, North Carolina with his wife Winnie Davis, where they raised their eight children.

He was called to preach in 1949 at Little Helton Baptist Church where he belonged. He was later called to preach and pastor various other churches throughout North Carolina and Virginia. Most recently, Rev. Davis pastored at Haw Orchard Baptist Church, where he served for over forty years until his retirement in April, 1998. He also preached at two local radio stations, in West Jefferson and Marion, Virginia.

Rev. Davis was a good man and was deeply dedicated to God. He passed away on June 14,. 1999 and will be deeply missed by everyone who knew him.

The 1999/2000 Ashe Baptist Association is dedicated in memory of: Grover Wilson Marsh

Grover Wilson Marsh was born on November 1, 1917. He was married to Elsie Hudler Marsh for sixty years and had three sons: John, Robert and Gary, all of Jefferson, North Carolina.

Mr. Marsh was baptized and joined Friendship Baptist Church on March 29, 1931 where he served as an active member for sixty-eight years. He was later ordained as a deacon on July 19, 1947 and served in that capacity for fifty-two years.

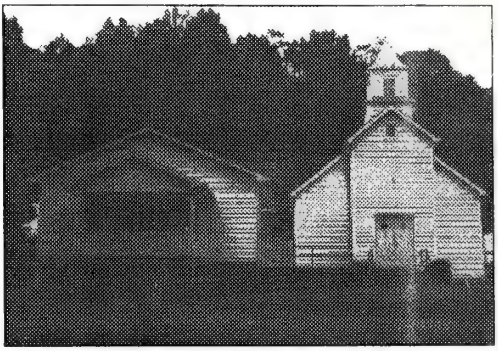
Mr. Marsh was also an active member of Gideons International where he served the Lord for over twenty-five years.

Grover Wilson Marsh went to be with the Lord on February 1, 1999.

He will long be remembered by all those who knew and loved him..

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

SOUTH BEAVER CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
1890-1999
Rev. Johnny Goodman, Pastor



This history of SOUTH BEAVER BAPTIST CHURCH was compiled using various outside sources. The church books were lost after the death of one of our church clerks; therefore, there are sections of our history that are missing. The main sources of information were the Ashe Baptist Associational minutes, "A History of the Baptis Association" by Rev. J.F. Fletcher, "A History of the Ashe Baptist Association" b Dr. M.D. Hart, and a host of senior church members.

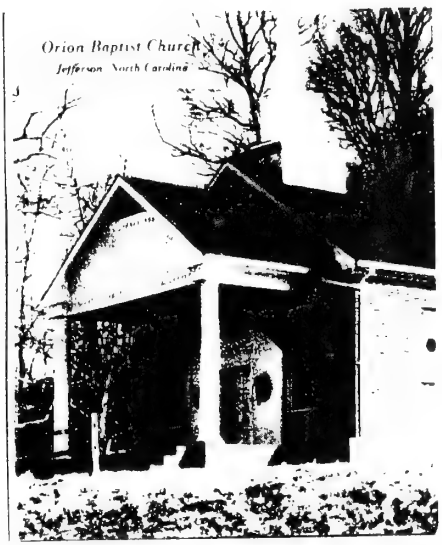
South Beaver Baptist Church joined the Association in 1891 under the leadership of Pastor D.W. Thompson with twenty-two charter members. Unfortunately, a listing of the charter members was not available. Since a church must b established for one year before joining the Association, we know that the church was established in 1890.

Weddings of church members serve as a good source of church history information. In 1927, at the wedding of Virginia and Hayden Goodman, Rev. Coy Blackburn was pastor of the church. Rev. H.M. Winkler, pastor for approximate thirteen years, officiated at the 1932 wedding of Clyde and Lydia Pierce.

Over the next fifty years, sixteen men held the position of pastor at South Beaver Baptist Church. Brother Keene Roark was the pastor until shortly before plans for the new church were made. In 1947, during the time of supply pastor Harvey Phillips, people made pledges of money and offers to do the work to replac the old church. Following is a list of pastors of the church, in the order of their se vice, after the new building was completed in 1948 until the current pastor in 199 R.C. Ashley, Paul Phipps, John Goodman, Earl Hartzog, Ardle Osborne, Elwood Goodman, Jack Pugh, Bynum Trivette, David Testerman, Joe Warren, Worth Kimberlin, J.C. Darnell, Joe Riley Blevins, Thomas Shatley, and Johnny Goodma who is our current pastor.

After God blessed us with overflowing pews, we started construction for ou new sanctuary in fall 1996. The new building was completed and in use by March 1997. We are currently remodeling our old sanctuary into a fellowship hall and classrooms. Many of our members have passed from this world to be with their Heavenly Father. We would like you to take a moment to remember these very special people in our lives, who have played such a vital role in our spiritual growth.

Orion Baptist Church



Orion Baptist Church on the Frank Dillard Road in Jefferson was founded on December 19, 1911 by W.C. Absher, W.M. Dillard, J.F. Dillard, Mrs. Jennie Dillard, Mrs. Dora Lambert and Mrs. Lucy Penn. One day later the first baptismal service was held and four candidates followed the Lord in believer's baptism.

A new building was constructed in 1912 and the first revival service was held resulting in 25 new members to the fellowship. The present church facilities were expanded in 1974 and were remodeled in 1987.

Orion has been served by many fine pastors during the past 87 years of ministry to Ashe County. Rev. T.M. Hayes was elected as the churches first pastor in 1913.

Others who have served as pastor are: R.M. Burkett, Bitty Carlton, W.E. Denny, T.M. Hayes, and Rev. E.Z. Sexton, who served for 19 years. Also serving were Paul Phipps, M.D. Hart, Smith Miller, Wesley Eldreth, Elwood Goodman, R.C. Ashley, Rev. David Brown, David Hartzog, W.E. Burchette, John Leek, and Victor Church. In May of 1996, Rev. Rick Miller of Statesville was called and serves as its pastor today.

Orion Baptist Church at present has approximately 100 members on roll and conducts preaching and teaching services Sunday mornings and evenings as well as Wednesday night Bible study. Currently, we are praying and working to expand our outreach and ministry to our community and have adopted the theme "Telling a hurting world about our loving Savior."

Orion Baptist has a long and established history of caring and sharing through the ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ and we are looking forward to serving the Lord in the 20th century.

A warm and friendly fellowship awaits any who would be our honored guest at Orion Baptist Church.

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1. Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once take his seat.

3. When a member wishes to speak, he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.

5. It shall be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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Laurel Knob Baptist Church	Ms. Frances Goodman	
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Midway Baptist Church	Mr. Ray Taylor	Mrs. Ruth Belcher

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	Mrs. Frances Blevins	Mr. Alfred Richardson
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Phoenix Baptist Church	Ms. Winnie Johnson Barton	
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ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
ORGANIZATIONAL OFFICERS

Moderator	Mr. Jerry Powers
Vice Moderator	Mr. Joe Brown
Clerk/Treasurer	Mrs. Linda Blevins

ASSOCIATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

Sunday School Assist Team

Director	Rev. Jim Ketner	(336) 877-4033
Adult	Rev. Lawrence Goodman	(336) 877-2042
Youth	Teshia Dillard	(336) 877-1596
	Frances Blevins	(336) 246-6583
Children	Vickie Young	(336) 384-4656
Preschool	Nancy Watson	(336) 877-4782

Discipleship Training

Discipleship Supp.	Glenn A. Miller	(336) 246-3818

Women's Missionary Union

Director	Linda Blackburn	(336) 246-5631

Brotherhood

President	Fred Walters	(336) 982-3316
Mission Study Chr.	J. C. Ashley	(336) 384-3111
RA Leader	Lanny Ballou	(336) 982-2897
Stewardship Chr.	Jerry Powers	(336) 982-4444

Vacation Bible School

Director	Amy Rexrode	(336) 246-2915

Budget & Finance Committee

2 yr.	Kathleen Turnmire	(336) 384-2140
2 yr.	Thelma Howell	(336) 877-5638
2 yr.	Bob Neaves	(336) 246-9735
3 yr.	Shelby Roten	(336) 877-3680
3 yr.	Gerry Hazelwood	(336) 246-2733
	Linda Blevins (Treasurer)	(336) 384-2201

Associational Trustees

Chr. Jim Vannoy	(336) 982-2150
Edd Harless	(336) 384-2368
Lloyd Witherspoon	(336) 246-9203
Ralph Davis	(336) 384-3676
Rev. Earl Sheets, Sr.	(336) 246-9963

Associational Ordination Committee

3 yr.	Rev. Tommy Graybeal	(336) 384-3194
3yr.	Rev. Dean Watson	(336) 877-4554
3 yr.	Rev. Dayton Roten	(336) 667-1807
2yr.	Rev. J. E. Owens	(336) 246-5212
2yr.	Rev. Wayne Jones	(336) 877-4360

Associational Music Committee

3 yr.	Rev. Wayne Osborne	(336) 384-2518	Director
2 yr.	Chris Hartley	(336) 246-3851	
2 yr.	Rev. Chuck Call	(828) 265-2655	
1 yr.	Richard Blevins	(336) 246-6583	
3 yr.	Edd Harless	(336) 384-2368	

Committee on New Churches

1 yr.	Jerry Powers	(336) 982-4444	Moderator
3 yr.	Rev. Allen Combs	(336) 982-9063	
2 yr.	Rev. Garrett Mahaffey	(336) 877-4239	
3yr.	Rev. Jim Rash	(336) 384-4374	
3yr.	Rev. Colonel Blevins	(336) 246-9342	
2yr.	Buck Davis	(336) 384-3130	
2 yr.	Mary Davis	(336) 384-3130	

Seminary Extension Committee

3yr	Rev. RonnieMcMillan	336) 696-4262	Director
2yr.	Rev. Bill Ballou	(336) 982-4300	
2 yr.	Rev. Ken Furches	(336) 246-5810	
	Rev. Keith Casey	(336) 246-8378	
	Rev. Roger Newton	(336) 877-4355	

Associational Administrative Committees

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Nominating Committee

1 yr.	Rev. Jim Ketner	(336) 877-4033	
1 yr.	Terry Hartzog	336) 877-4222	
2 yr.	Deborah Fishel	(336) 384-9688	
2 yr	Dale Neaves	(336) 982-2753	
2 yr.	Cindy Davis	(336) 384-3673	

Associational Properties Committee

2yr.	Clifton Poe	(336) 982-2273	Chair
3 yr.	Lamon Perry	336) 877-5516	
3 yr.	Darrell Blevins	(336) 877-5079	

Associational Camp Board of Directors

2 yr.	George Swann	336) 982-9856	
2 yr.	Jody Miller	336) 877-4659	
2 yr.	David Stidhams	336) 877-1851	
3 yr.	Harold Jordan	336) 877-4516	
3 yr.	Charlene Goodman	336) 877-4486	
3 yr.	Carolyn Miller	336) 877-4757	
2 yr.	Rev. Gary Watson	828) 264-6938	
2 yr.	Rev. Johnny Huffman	336) 359-8112	
3 yr.	Rev. Rick Cornejo	336) 877-9699	
	Ronnie Hopkins	336) 877-4420	Treasurer

Associational Program Committee

2 yr.	Lisa Avery	(336) 246-8993
2 yr.	Marie Jordan	(336) 877-4516
2 yr.	Jack Harless	(336) 246-6788 or 246-7635
3 yr.	Rev. Kershaw Getty	(336) 877-3116
3 yr.	Barbara McCoy	(336) 982-2300

Committee on Evangelism

3 yr.	Rev. Dayton Roten	336) 667-1807	Chair
2 yr.	Judy Viers	336) 877-1889	
1 yr.	Julie Taylor	336) 384-4733	
1 yr.	Larry Ballou	336) 982-2908	
1 yr.	Rev. Rick Cornejo	336) 877-9699	

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Associational Administrative Committees

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Associational Youth Council

1 yr.	Karlton Yearick	336) 877-1763	Chair
1 yr.	Tina Key	336) 384-2522	
1 yr.	Rev. Steve Viers	336) 877-1889	
1 yr.	Rev. Lawrence Goodman	336) 877-2042	
2yr.	Amy Turnmire Dollar	336) 384-2518	
2 yr.	Rev. Mark Davis	336) 877-2060	
3 yr.	Heather Vannoy	336) 246-7226	
3 yr.	Vickie Moore	336) 982-9533	
	Francis Blevins	336) 246-6583	Treasurer

Constitution and By-Laws Committee

1 yr.	Rev. Larry Powers	336) 246-9073	Chair
2yr.	Charles King	336) 246-9937	
2 yr.	Allen Neaves	336) 982-3575	
2 yr.	Rev. Tommy Graybeal	336) 384-3194	
3 yr.	Joe Oliver	336) 384-3608	

Associational ARC Committee

Pat Powers	336)246-4324	Director
Larry Greer	336)246-2703	
Rev. Larry Powers	336) 246-9073	
Louise Goodman	336) 877-3820	
Sherry Thompson	336) 384-9672	
Rev. Jim Ketner	336) 877-4033	

Associational Hispanic Committee

Hank Saralegui	336) 877-4181
Toni Saralegui	336) 877-4181
Rev. Lawrence Goodman	336) 877-2042
Rev. Ken Furches	336) 246-5810
Debbie Fishel	336) 384-9688
Bob Neaves	336) 246-9735

Associational Missions Committee

Associational Missionary	Rev. David Blackburn	(336) 246-5631
Sunday School Director	Rev. Jim Ketner	(336) 877-4033
Discipleship Training	Glenn A. Miller	(336) 246-3818
Brotherhood Director	Fred Walters	(336) 982-3316
WMU Director	Linda Blackburn	(336) 246-5631
Music Director	Rev. Wayne Osborne	(336) 384-2518
	Rev. Jack Miller	(336) 246-5361
Chairman	Rev. Rick Miller	(336) 982-8658
	Jerry Powers	(336) 982-4444

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1999-2000

		1998-99 Approved Budget	1998-99 Actual Expenses	1999-2000 Proposed Budget
I.	EDUCATION AND PROMOTION			
1.	Sunday School	$ 1,000.00	$ 802.46	$ 1000.00
2.	Discipleship Training	600.00	340.78	600.00
3.	Brotherhood	200.00	0.00	200.00
4	WMU	75.00	0.00 1	75.00
5	Church Music	100.00	0.00	150.00
6.	Vacation Bible School	800.00	461.22	800.00
7.	Evangelism	1,200.00	448.98	1200.00
8	Key Leadership	150.00	221.00 2	200.00
9.	Association Youth	1,200.00	16.08	1200.00
	SUBTOTAL	5,325.00	2,290.52	5425.00
II.	ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE			
1	Office Equipment	1,000.00	2,761.27 2	1000.00
2	Printing and Supplies	2,000.00	2,431.78 3	2100.00
3	Postage/Mailing	2,000.00	1,788.73	2100.00
4	Associational Calendars	400.00	400.00	400.00
	SUBTOTAL	5,400.00	7,381.76 4	5600.00
III.	SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES			
1	Director of Missions Salary	35,000.00	35,000.00 5	35000.00
2.	Secretarial Help	8,320.00	8,320.00	8320.00
3.	Clerk-Treasurer	1,200.00	1,200.00	1800.00
	(a) Reimbursement for travel	100.00	100.00	200.00
4.	Employee Taxes	750.00	728.28	775.00
	SUBTOTAL	45,370.00	45,348.28	46095.00
IV.	PARSONAGE			
1	Insurance Premium	500.00	500.00	500.00
2.	Building Repair and Property Maintenance	2,500.00	2,103.73	2500.00
	SUBTOTAL	3,000.00	2,603.73	3000.00
V.	MISCELLANEOUS			
1	Miscellaneous	500.00	500.00	500.00
	SUBTOTAL	500.00	500.00	500.00
VI.	HISPANIC MINISTRY			
1	Wages	7,800.00	7,800.00	7800.00
2.	Rent	4,800.00	4,800.00	4800.00
3	Taxes	300.00	504.77	505.00
4.	Other Expenses	0.00	2,576.64 6	0.00
	SUBTOTAL	12,900.00	15,681.41	13105.00
VII.	OTHER (Voted by Executive Committee)			
1	Ashe Really Cares	3,988.53	3,988.53	4500.00
2	Ashe Baptist Campgroun	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
	SUBTOTAL	7,488.53	7,488.53	4500.00
	TOTAL	$ 79,983.53	$ 81,294.23	$ 78,225.00

1 WMU transferred $309.96 into the general account
2 Private funds totalling $2115 offset these amounts
3 This figure includes $681.00 for copier service agreement
4 This figure does not include expenses for the minute books
5 Includes retirement, medical and life insurance, utilities, automobile allowance, social security, allowance, conventions and conferences, and parsonage allowance
6 The figure was offset by offerings from the Hispanic Church

CONTRIBUTIONS
ASHE BAPTIST SUMMER CAMP
JULY 1, 1998 THRU JUNE 30, 1999

BALD MOUNTAIN BAPTIST CHURCH	240.00
BIG FLATTS BAPTIST CHURCH	50.00
BIG LAUREL BAPTIST CHURCH	60.00
BLUE RIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH	200.00
BRISTOL BAPTIST CHURCH	50.00
CLIFTON BAPTIST CHURCH	100.00
FRIENDLY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH	300.00
FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH	500.00
GRASSY CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH	180.00
HEALING SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH	60.00
LAUREL KNOB BAPTIST CHURCH	50.00
MISSION HOME BAPTIST CHURCH	291.50
NEW RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH	510.62
NORTH BEAVER BAPTIST CHURCH	100.00
OLD FIELDS BAPTIST CHURCH	100.00
ORION BAPTIST CHURCH	125.00
PHOENIX BAPTIST CHURCH	100.00
PLEASANT HOME BAPTIST CHURCH	50.00
ROUND KNOB BAPTIST CHURCH	100.00
TUCKERDALE BAPTIST CHURCH	300.00
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION CHURCHES	3467.12
ASHBY-ROTEN REUNION	45.00
RAY & RHUMELL BALL	150.00
WILLIAM M. HAMPTON SCHOOL	325.00
SKYLINE TELEPHONE MEMB. CORP.	33.38
ASHE COUNTY GIRL SCOUTS	40.00
ASHE COUNTY PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN	100.00
BAPTIST STUDENT UNION	150.00
ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION	3500.00
CHURCH IN VIRGINIA	50.00
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OTHER CHURCHES & INDIVIDUALS & ORGANIZATIONS	4393.38
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	7860.50
CASH ON HAND AND IN BANK ON 6-30-99	5695.67

DISBURSEMENTS
7-1-98 thru 6-30-99

BLUE RIDGE ELECTRIC	1208.00
SKYLINE TELEPHONE	278.24
ROSE'S STORE # 375	120.80
BILL LAMBERT SIGNS	156.00
ANN ELDRETH	930.00
HIGH COUNTRY IMPROVEMENTS	481.90
W.J. HARDWARE	140.90
ASHE COUNTY BUILDERS SUPPLY	114.23
TRI-COUNTY PAVING	986.04
BARR INSURANCE AGENCY	708.00
WATAUGA READY MIX	1029.55
WATAUGA CONCRETE FINISHERS	300.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	6453.66

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1. We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three Persons in the God-head; the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.
2. We believe that the Bible, the Old and New Testament, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.
3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.
4. We believe that Salvation is by Grace through Faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.
5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.
6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.
7. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace and Glory.
8. We believe in a separate resurrection and judgment, both for the righteous, and unrighteous dead.
9. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

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CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, and on profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now, in the presence of God, angels and the assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into this covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness and comfort to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain worship, ordinances, discipleship and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church and the relief of the poor; and the spread of the Gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealing, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger, to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense but always ready for reconciliation; and mindful of the rule of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.

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Addendum I - ARTICLES OF FAITH
(The Baptist Faith and Message as adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1963)

Baptists are a people who profess a living faith. This faith is rooted and grounded in Jesus Christ who is "the same yesterday and today and forever." Therefore the sole authority for faith and practice among Baptists is Jesus Christ whose will is revealed in the Holy Scriptures.

A living faith must experience a growing understanding of truth and must be continually interpreted and related to the needs of each new generation. Through out their history Baptist bodies, both large and small, have issued statements of faith which comprise a consensus of their beliefs. Such statements have never been regarded as complete, infallible statements of faith, nor as official creeds carrying mandatory authority. Thus this generation of Southern Baptists is in historic succession of intent and purpose as it endeavors to state for its time and theological climate those articles of the Christian faith which are most surely held among us.

Baptists emphasize the soul's competency before God, freedom in religion, and the priesthood of the believer. However, this emphasis should not be interpreted to mean that there is an absence of certain doctrines that Baptists believe, cherish, and with which they have been and are now closely identified.

It is the purpose of this statement of faith and message to set forth certain teachings which we believe.

THE SCRIPTURES

The Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is the record of God's revelation of Himself to many. It is a perfect treasure of divine instruction. In has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter.

Ex. 24:4; Deut. 4:1-2; 17:19; Josh. 8:34; Psalm 19:7-10; 119: 11, 89; 105; 140. It reveals the principles by which God judges us; and therefore is, and will remain to the end of the world, the true center of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds, and religious opinions should be tried. The criterion by which the Bible is to be interpreted is Jesus Christ.

THE SCRIPTURES (continued)

Isa. 34:16; 40:8; Jer. 15:16; 36; Matt. 5:17-18; 22-29; Luke 21:33, 44-46; John 5:39; 16:13-15; 17:17; Acts 2:16 ff; 17:11; Rom. 15:4; 16: 25-26; 2 Tim. 3:15-17; Heb. 1:1-2; 4:12; I Peter 1:25; 2 Peter 1:25; 2 Peter 1:19-21.

GOD

There is one and only one living and true God. He is an intelligent, spiritual, and personal Being, the Creator, Redeemer, Preserver, and Ruler of the Universe. God is infinite in holiness and all other perfections. To Him we owe the highest love, reverence, and obedience. The eternal God reveals Himself to us a Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, with distinct personal attributes, but without division of nature, essence, or being.

GOD THE FATHER

God as Father reigns with providential care over his universe, His creatures and the flow of the stream of human history according to the purpose of His grace. He is all powerful, all loving, and all wise, God is Father in truth to those who become children of God through faith in Jesus Christ. He is fatherly in His attitude toward all men.

Gen. 1:1, 2:7; Ex. 3:14, 6:2-3, 15:11ff, 20:1ff; Lev. 22:2; Deut. 6:4, 32:6; I Chron. 29:10; Psalm 19:1-3; Isa. 43:3, 15, 64:8; Jer. 10:10, 17:3; Matt. 6:9 ff, 7:11, 23:9, 28:19; Mark 1:9-11; John 4:24, 5:26, 14:6-13, 17:1-8; Acts 1:7; Rom. 8:14-15; I Cor. 8:6; Gal. 4:6; Eph. 4:6; Col. 1:15; I Tim. 1:17; Heb. 11:6, 12:9; I Peter 1:17; I John 5:7.

GOD THE SON

Christ is the eternal Son of God. In His incarnation as Jesus Christ he was conceived of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. Jesus perfectly revealed and did the will of God, taking upon Himself the demands and necessities of human nature and identifying Himself completely yet without sin. He was raised from the dead with a glorified body and appeared to His disciples as the person who was with them before His crucifixion. He ascended

GOD THE SON (continued)

into Heaven and is now exalted at the right hand of God where he is the One Mediator, partaking of the nature of God and of man and whose Person is effected the reconciliation between God and man. He will return in power and glory to judge the world and to consummate His redemptive mission. He now dwells in all believers as the living and ever present Lord.

Gen. 18:1 ff; Psalm 2:7ff, 110:1ff; Isa. 7:14; 53; Matt. 1:18-23; 3:17, 8:29, 11:27, 14:33, 16:16, 27, 17:5, 27, 28: 1-6,19; Mark 1:1, 3:11; Luke 1:35, 4:41, 22:70, 24:46; John 1:1-18, 29, 10:30, 38, 11:25-27, 12:44-50, 14:7-11, 16:15-16, 28, 17:1-5, 21-22, 20:1-20, 28; Acts 1:9, 2:22-24, 7:55-56, 9:4-5, 20; Rom. 1:3-4, 3:23-26, 5:6-21, 8:1-3, 34, 10:4; I Cor. 1:30, 2:2, 8:6, 15:1-8, 24-28; 2 Cor. 5:19-21; Gal. 4:4-5; Eph. 1:20, 3:11, 4:7-10; Phil. 2:5-11; Col. 1:13-22, 2:9; I Thes. 4:14-18; I Tim. 2:5-6, 3:16; Titus 2:13-14; Heb. 1:1-3, 4:14-15, 7:14-28, 9:12-15, 24-24, 12:2, 13:8; I Peter 2:21-25, 3: 22; I John 1:7-9, 3:2, 4:14-15, 5:9; II John 7-9; Rev. 1:13-16, 5:9-14, 12:10-11, 13:8, 19: 16.

GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God. He inspired holy men of old to write the scriptures. Through illumination He enables men to understand truth. He exalts Christ. He convicts of sin, of righteousness and of judgment. He calls men to the Savior, and effects regeneration. He cultivates Christian character, comforts believers. and bestows the spiritual gifts by which they serve God through His church. He seals the believers unto the day of final redemption. His presence in the Christian is the assurance of God to bring the believers into the fullness of the stature of Christ. He enlightens and empowers the believer and the church in worship, evangelism, and service.

Gen. 1:2; Judges 14:6; Job 26:13; Psalm 51:11; 139:7ff; Isa. 61:1-3; Joel 2:28-32; Matt. 1:18, 3:16, 4:1, 12:28-32, 28:19; Mark 1:10, 12, Luke 1:35, 4:1, 18-19, 11:13, 12:12, 24-49; John 4:24, 14:16-17, 26, 15:26, 16:7-14; Acts 1:8, 2:1-4, 38, 4:31, 5:3, 6:3, 7:55, 8:17, 39, 10:44, 13:2, 15:28, 16:6, 19:1-6; Rom. 8:9-11, 14-16, 26-27; I Cor. 2:10-14, 3:16, 12:3-11; Gal. 4:6; Eph. 1:13-14, 4:30, 5:18; I Thes. 5:19; I Tim. 3:16, 4:1; 2 Tim. 1:14, 3:16; Heb. 9:8, 14; 2 Peter 1:21; I John 4:13, 5:6-7; Rev. 1: 10, 22:17.

MEN

Man was created by the special act of God, in his own image, and is the crowning work of His creation. In the beginning man was innocent of sin and was endowed by His Creator with freedom of choice. By his free choice man sinned against God and brought sin into the human race. Through the temptation of Satan man transgressed the command of God, and fell from his original innocence; whereby his posterity inherit a nature and an environment inclined toward sin, and as soon as they are capable of moral action become transgressors and are under condemnation. Only the grace of God can bring man into His holy fellowship and enable man to fulfill the creative purpose of God. The sacredness of human personality is evident in that God created man in His own image, and in that Christ died for man; therefore, every man possesses dignity and is worthy of respect and Christian love.

Gen. 1:26-30, 2:5,7, 18-22, 3:6-9; Psalm 1; 8:3-6, 32:1-5, 51:5; Isa. 6:5; Jer. 17:5; Matt. 16:26; Acts 17:26-31; Rom. 1:19, 32, 3:10-18, 23, 5:6, 12, 19, 6:6, 7:14-18; I Cor. 1:21-31, 15:19, 21-22; Eph. 2:1-22, 3:9-11.

SALVATION

Salvation involves the redemption of the whole man, and is offered freely to all who accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, who by His own blood obtained eternal redemption for the believer. In its broadest sense salvation includes regeneration, sanctification, and glorification.

A. Regeneration, or the new birth, is a work of God's grace whereby believers become new creatures in Christ Jesus. It is a change of heart wrought by thee Holy Spirit through conviction of sin, to which the sinner responds in repentance toward God, and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Repentance and faith are inseparable experiences of grace. Repentance is a genuine turning from sin toward God. Faith is the acceptance of Jesus Christ and commitment of the entire personality to Him as Lord and Savior. Justification is God's gracious and full acquittal upon principles of His righteousness of all sinners who repent and believe in Christ. Justification brings the believer into a relationship for peace and favor with God.

SALVATION (continued)

B. Sanctification is the experience, beginning in regeneration, by which the believer is set apart to God's purposes, and is enabled to progress toward moral and spiritual perfection through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit dwelling in him. Growth in grace should continue throughout the regenerate person's life.

C. Glorification is the culmination of salvation and is the final blessed and abiding state of the redeemed.

Gen. 3:15; Ex. 3:14-17, 6:2-8; Matt. 1:21, 4:17, 16:21-26, 27:22 to 28:6; Luke 1:68-69, 2: 28-32; John 1:11-14, 29, 3:3-21, 36, 5:24, 10:9, 28-29, 15:1-16, 17:17; Acts 2:21, 4:12, 15:11, 16:30-31, 17:30-31, 20:32; Rom. 1:16-19, 2:4, 3:23-25, 4:3ff, 5:8-10, 6:1-23, 8:1-18, 29-39, 10:9-10, 13, 13:11-14; I Cor. 1:18, 30, 6:19-20, 15:10; 2 Cor. 5:17-20; Gal. 2:20, 3:13, 5:22-25, 6:15; Eph. 1:7, 2:8-22, 4:11-16; Phil. 2:12-13; Col. 1:9-22, 3:1ff; I Thes. 5:23-24; 2 Tim. 1:12; Titus 2:11-14; Heb. 2:1-3, 5:8-9, 9:24-28, 11:1-12:8, 14; James 2:14-16; I Peter 1:2-23; I John 1:6 to 2:11; Rev. 3:21, 21:1 to 22:5.

GOD'S PURPOSE AND GRACE

Election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which He regenerates, sanctifies, and glorifies sinners. It is consistent with the free agency of man, and comprehends all the means in connection with the end. It is a glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, and is infinitely wise, holy, and unchangeable. It excludes boasting and promotes humility.

All true believers endure to the end. Those whom God has accepted in Christ, and sanctified by His Spirit, will never fall away from the state of grace, but shall persevere to the end. Believers may fall into sin through neglect and temptation, whereby they grieve the Spirit, impair their graces and comforts, bring reproach on the cause of Christ, and temporal judgments on themselves, yet they shall be kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

Gen. 12:1-3; Ex. 19:5-8; I Sam. 8:4-7, 19-22; Isa. 5:1-7; Jer. 31:31ff; Matt. 16:18-19, 21:28-45, 24:22, 31, 25:34; Luke 1:68-79, 2:29-32, 19:41-44, 24:44-48; John 1:12-14, 3:16, 5:24, 6:44-45, 65, 10:27-29, 15:16, 17:6, 12, 17-18; Acts 20:32; Rom. 5:9-10, 8:28-39,

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10: 12-15, 11:5-7, 26-36; I Cor. 1:1-2, 15:24-28; Eph. 1:4-23, 2:1-10, 3:1-11; Col. 1:12-14; 2 Thes. 2:13-14; 2 Tim. 1:12, 2:10, 19; Heb. 11:39-12:2; I Peter 1:2-5, 13, 2:4-10; I John 1:7-9, 2:19, 3:2

THE CHURCH

A New Testament church of the Lord Jesus Christ is a local body of baptized believers who are associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the gospel, observing the two ordinances of Christ, committed to His teachings, exercising the gifts, and privileges invested in them by His word, and seeking to extend the gospel to the ends of the earth.

This church is an autonomous body, operating through democratic processes under the Lordship of Jesus Christ. In such a congregation members are equally responsible. Its Scriptural officers are pastors and deacons.

The New Testament speaks also of the church as the body of Christ which includes all of the redeemed of all ages.

Matt. 16:15-19, 18:15-20; Acts 2:41-42, 47, 5:11-14, 6:3-6, 13:1-3, 14:23,27, 15:1-30, 16:5, 20:28; Rom. 1:7; I Cor. 1:2, 3:16, 5:4-5,7:17, 9:13-14; 12; Eph. 1:22-23, 2:19-22, 3:8-11, 21, 5:22-32; Phil. 1:1; Col. 1:18; I Tim. 3:1-15, 4:14; I Peter 5:1-4; Rev. 2-3, 21:2-3.

BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. It is an act of obedience obedience whereby members of the church through partaking of the bread and the fruit of the vine, memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming. symbolizing the believer's faith in a crucified, and risen Savior. the believer's death to sin, the burial of the old life, and in the resurrection to walk in newness of life in Christ Jesus. It is a testimony to his faith in the final resurrection of the dead. Being a church ordinance, it is prerequisite to the privilege of church membership and to the Lord's Supper.

The Lord's Supper is a symbolic act of obedience whereby members of the church through partaking of the bread and the fruit

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of the vine, memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming.

Matt. 3:13-17, 26:26-30, 28:19-20; Mark 1:9-11, 14:22-26; Luke 3:21-22, 22:19-20; John 3:23; Acts 2:41-42, 8: 35-39, 16:30-33, 20:7; Rom. 6:3-5; I Cor. 10:16, 21, 11:23-29; Col. 2:12

THE LORD'S DAY

The first day of the week is the Lord's Day. It is a Christian institution for regular observance. It commemorates the resurrection of Christ from the dead and should be employed in exercises of worship and spiritual devotion, both public and private, and by refraining from worldly amusements, and resting from secular employment, work of necessity and mercy only being excepted.

Ex. 20:8-11; Matt. 12:1-12, 28:1 ff, Mark 2:27-28, 16:1-7; Luke 24:1-3, 33-36; John 4:21-24, 20:1, 19-28; Acts 20:7; I Cor. 16:1-2; Col. 2:16, 3:16; Rev. 1:10.

THE KINGDOM

The Kingdom of God includes, both His general sovereignty over the universe and His particular kingship over men who willfully acknowledge Him as King. Particularly the Kingdom is the realm of salvation into which men enter by trustful, childlike, commitment to Jesus Christ. Christians ought to pray and to labor that the Kingdom may come and God's will be done on earth. The full consummation of the Kingdom awaits the return of Jesus Christ and the end of this age.

Gen. 1:1; Isa. 9:6-7; Jer. 23:5-6; Matt. 3:2, 4:8-10, 23, 12:25-28, 13:1-52, 25:31-46, 26:29; Mark 1:14-15, 9:1; Luke 4: 43, 8:1, 9:2, 12:31-32, 17:20-21, 23:42; John 3:3, 18-36; Acts 1:6-7, 17:22-31; Rom. 5:17, 8:19; I Cor. 15:24-28; Col. 1:13; Heb. 11:10,16, 12:28; I Peter 2:4-10, 4:13; Rev. 1:6,9, 5:10, 11:15, 21-22

LAST THINGS

God, in His own time and in His own way, will bring the world to its appropriate end. According to His promise, Jesus Christ will

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return personally and visibly in glory to the earth; the dead will be raised; and Christ will judge all men in righteousness. The unrighteous will be consigned to Hell, the place of everlasting punishment. The righteous in their resurrected and glorified bodies will receive their reward and will dwell forever in Heaven with the Lord.

Isa. 2:4, 11:9; Matt. 16:27, 18: 8-9, 19: 28, 24:27, 30, 36, 44, 25:31-46, 26:64; Mark 8:38, 9:43-48; Lk. 12:40, 48, 16:19-26, 17:22-37, 21:27-28; John 14:1-3; Acts 1:11, 17:31; Rom. 14:10; I Cor. 4:5, 15:24-28, 35-58; 2 Cor. 5:10: Phil. 3:20-21; Col. 1:5; 3:4; I Thes. 4:14-18, 5:1ff, 2 Thes. 1:7ff; 2; I, Tim. 6:14; 2 Tim. 4:1, 8; Titus 2:13; Heb. 9:27-28; James 5:8; 2 Peter 3:7ff, I John 2:28, 3:2; Jude 14; Rev. 1:18, 3:11, 20:1 to 22:13.

EVANGELISM AND MISSIONS

It is the duty and privilege of every follower of Christ and of every church of the Lord Jesus Christ to endeavor to make disciples of all nations. The new birth of man's spirit by God's Holy Spirit means the birth of love for others. Missionary efforts on the part of all rests upon a spiritual necessity of the regenerate life, and is expressly and repeatedly commanded in the teachings of Christ. It is the duty of every child of God to seek constantly to win the lost to Christ by personal effort and by all other methods in harmony with the gospel of Christ.

Gen. 12:1-3; Ex. 19:5-6; Isa. 6:1-8; Matt. 9:37-38, 10:5-15, 13:18-30, 37-43, 16:19, 22:9-10, 24:14, 28:18-20; Luke 10:1-18, 24:46-53; John 14:11-12, 15:7-8, 16, 17:15, 20:21; Acts 1:8; 2; 8:26-40, 10:42-48, 13:2-3; Rom. 10:13-15; Eph.3:1-11; I Thes. 1:8; 2 Tim. 4:5; Heb. 2:1-3, 11:39 to 12:2; I Peter 2:4-10; Rev. 22:17

EDUCATION

The cause of education in the Kingdom of Christ is coordinate with the causes of missions and general benevolence, and should receive along with these the liberal support of the churches. An adequate system of Christian schools is necessary to a complete spiritual program for Christ's people.

In Christian education there should be a proper balance be

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tween academic freedom and academic responsibility. Freedom in any orderly relationship of human life is always limited and never absolute. The freedom of a teacher on a Christian school, college, or seminary is limited by the preeminence of Jesus Christ, by the authoritative nature of the Scriptures, and by the distinct purpose for which the school exists.

Deut. 4:1, 5, 9, 14, 6:1-10, 31:12-13; Neh. 8:1-8; Job 28:28; Psalm 19:7 ff, 119:11; Prov. 3:13 ff, 4:1-10, 8:1-7, 11, 15:14; Ecc. 7:19; Matt. 5:2, 7:24 ff, 28:19-20; Luke 2:40; I Cor. 1:18-31; Eph. 4:11-16; Phil. 4:8; Col. 2:3, 8-9; I Tim. 1:3-7; 2 Tim. 2:15, 3:14-17; Heb. 5:12 to 6:3; James 1:5, 3:17

STEWARDSHIP

God is the source of all blessings, temporal and spiritual; all that we have and are we owe to Him. Christians have a spiritual debtorship to the whole world, a trusteeship in the gospel, and a binding stewardship in their possessions. They are therefore under obligation to serve Him with their time, talents, and material possessions; and should recognize all these as entrusted to them to use for the glory of God and for helping others. According to the Scriptures, Christians should contribute of their means cheerfully, regularly, systematically, proportionately, and Him. Christians have a spiritual debtorship to the whole world, a trusteeship in the gospel, and a binding stewardship in their possessions. They are therefore under obligation to serve Him with their time, talents, and material possessions; and should recognize all these as entrusted to them to use for the glory of God and for helping others. According to the Scriptures, Christians should contribute of their means cheerfully, regularly, systematically, proportionately, and liberally for the advancement of the Redeemer's cause on earth.

Gen. 14:20; Lev. 27:30-32; Deut. 8:18; Mal. 3:8-12; Matt. 6:1-4, 19-21, 23:23, 25:14-29; Luke 12:16-21, 42, 16:1-13; Acts 2:44-47, 5:1-11, 17:24-25; Rom. 6:6-22, 12:1-2; I Cor. 4:1-2, 6:19-20; 12; 16:1-4; 2 Cor. 8-9, 12:15; Phil. 4:10-19; I Peter 1:18-19

COOPERATION

Christ's people should, as occasion requires, organize such associations and conventions as may best secure cooperation for the great objects of the Kingdom of God. Such organizations have no authority over one another or over the churches. They are voluntary and advisory bodies designed to elicit, combine, and direct the energies of our people in the most effective manner. Members of New Testament churches should cooperate with one another in carrying forward the missionary, educational, and benevolent ministries for the extension of Christ's Kingdom. Christian unity in the New Testament sense is spiritual harmony and voluntary cooperation for common ends by various groups of Christ's people. Cooperation is desirable between the various Christian denominations, when the end to be attained is itself justified, and when such cooperation involves no violation of conscience or compromise of loyalty to Christ and His Word as revealed in the New Testament.

Ex. 17:12, 18:17 ff; Judges 7:21; Ezra 1:3-4, 2:68-69, 5:14-15; Neh. 4; 8: 1-5; Matt. 10: 5-15, 20:1-16, 22:1-10, 28:19-20; Mark 2:3; Luke 10:1 ff; Acts 1:13-14, 2:1 ff, 4: 31-37, 13:2-3, 15: 1-35; I Cor. 1:10-17, 3:5-15; 12; 2 Cor. 8-9; Gal. 1:6-10; Eph. 4:1-16; Phil. 1:15-18

THE CHRISTIAN AND THE SOCIAL ORDER

Every Christian is under obligation to seek to make the will of Christ supreme in his own life and in human society. Means and methods used for the improvement of society and the establishment of righteousness among men can be truly and permanently helpful only when they are rooted in the regeneration of the individual by the saving grace of God in Christ Jesus. The Christian should oppose in the Spirit of Christ every form of greed, selfishness, and vice. He should work to provide for the orphaned, the needy, the aged, the helpless and the sick. Every Christian should seek to bring industry, government, and society as a whole under he sway of the principles of righteousness, truth and brotherly love. In order to promote these ends Christians should be ready to work with all men of good will in any good cause always being careful to act in the spirit of love without compromising their loyalty to Christ and His truth.

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Ex. 20:3-17; Lev. 6:2-5; Deut. 10:12, 27:17; Psalm 101:5; Micah 6:8; Zech. 8:16; Matt. 5:13-16, 43-48, 22:36-40, 25:35; Mark 1:29-34, 2:3 ff, 10:21; Luke 4:18-21, 10:27-37, 20-25; John 15:12, 17:15; Rom. 12-14; I Cor. 5:9-10, 6:1-7, 7:20-24, 10:23 to 11:1; Gal. 3:26-28; Eph. 6:5-9; Col. 3:12-17; I Thes. 3:12; Philemon; James 1:27, 2:8

PEACE AND WAR

It is the duty of Christians to seek peace with all men on principles of righteousness. In accordance with the spirit and teachings of Christ they should do all in their power to put an end to war. The true remedy for the war spirit is the gospel of our Lord. The supreme need of the world is the acceptance of His teachings in all the affairs of men and nations, and the practical application of His law of love.

Isa. 2:4; Matt. 5:9, 38-48, 6:33, 26:52; Luke 22:36, 38; Rom. 12:18-19, 13: 1-7, 14:19; Heb. 12:14; James 4:1-2

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

God alone is Lord of the conscience, and He has left it free from the doctrines and commandments of men which are contrary to His Word or not contained in it. Church and state should be separate. The state owes to every church protection and full freedom in the pursuit of its spiritual ends. In providing for such freedom no ecclesiastical group or denomination should be favored by the state more than others. Civil government being ordained of God, it is the duty of Christians to render loyal obedience thereto in all things not contrary to the revealed will of God. The church should not resort to the civil power to carry on its work. The Gospel of Christ contemplates spiritual means alone for the pursuit of its ends. The state has no right to impose penalties for religious opinions of any kind. The state has no right to impose taxes for the support of any form of religion. A free church in a free state is the Christian ideal, and this implies the right of free and unhindered access to God on the part of all men, and the right to form and prop-agate opinions in the sphere of religion without interference by the civil power.

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Gen. 1:27, 2:7; Matt. 6:6-7, 24, 16:26, 22:21; John 8:36; Acts 4:19-20; Rom. 6:1-2, 13:1-7; Gal. 5:1, 13; Phil. 3:20; I Tim. 2:1-2; James 4:12; I Peter 2:12-17, 3:11-17, 4:12-19

NOTES

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
PREAMBLE

For the purpose of preserving, propagating, and making articulate the principles of our faith and to the end that this body of cooperating churches may be governed in an orderly manner, consistent with the accepted tenets of associations of Missionary Baptist Churches, for the purpose of preserving the liberties inherent in each individual church, and in order to set forth the relationship of this body to other Baptist bodies, we do adopt and establish this Constitution.

Article I - Name and Membership

Section 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Missionary Baptist Association.

Section 2. This Association shall consist of all Missionary Baptist Churches in Ashe County, and communities closely adjacent thereto, of like faith and practice, who wish to affiliate with this Association and are loyal to the faith and practice of the Missionary Baptist Denomination.

Section 3. The membership of this body shall be the pastor and three (3) messengers from each church. A letter certifying their appointment and giving the statistics of the membership and work of the church shall be sent to the Associational office at least twenty (20) days before the opening session of the annual meeting.

Section 4. Any church reported to be irregular in faith or practice may be investigated by order of the Association and such action taken, as may be decided by the Association.

Section 5. The Association shall be sole judge of its membership and may receive churches according to the Association's Constitution and By-Laws. Any church in the Association which fails to cooperate with the Association for two consecutive years shall be contacted by the Executive Committee to ascertain the wishes and desires of the church relative to its continuance in the Association.

Article 1 - Name and Membership (continued)

A Cooperating church should be defined as one which sends a report (church letter) to the annual session, is represented (by messengers) at the annual session, represented (by Executive Committee members) at the regularly scheduled Executive Committee meetings, contributes to the financial program of the Association, and is in general sympathy with the purposes of the Association. The Association recognizes that any affiliated church has the right to withdraw its fellowship from the Association.

Article II - Purpose

Section 1. The purpose of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches of the Association in devising and promoting measures and programs for the spread of the gospel in our bounds and in all the world, in compliance with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the Southern Baptist Convention.

Article III - Annual Church Letters (Annual Church Profile)

Section 1. The churches shall report annually statistical and general information upon a printed form furnished by the Associational office. The printed form shall be furnished to the church at least six weeks before the convening of an annual session of the Association and returned to the Associational office at least twenty (20) days before the opening session of the annual meeting.

Article IV - Officers and their Duties

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Associational Missionary, and the heads of such organizations as are set up and approved by the Association. The offices of Clerk and Treasurer may be the same person, at the discretion of the body.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Moderator of the Association (Vice-Moderator in his absence or disability) to preside over the

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

annual sessions and all special sessions, including the meetings of the Executive Committee. As the presiding officer, he shall open the meetings punctually at the appointed time, enforce the rules, preserve the order, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage. He shall name the committees and representatives of Institutions and agencies described in Sections 5, 6, and 8 of Article V of the Constitution at the opening of the annual session. He shall be elected for a one year term, and he cannot succeed himself after the second consecutive term.

Section 3. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of all proceedings of the Executive committee meetings, annual meetings, and make such available to the body and the Associational Missionary for printing and distribution.

Section 4. The treasurer shall have charge of all Associational funds as the Association may direct and make a report of receipts and disbursements at each annual meeting.

Section 5. (1) The Associational Missionary shall be elected upon a recommendation of the Committee on Missions, and by a vote of the Association at a regular scheduled meeting. The relationship between the Association and its Associational Missionary may be terminated following a reasonable notice of not less than 30 days.

(2) The Associational Missionary shall promote the work and witness of the Association and denomination, cooperating with the churches, their pastors and officers and Associational committees and organizations.

A. He shall be responsible for planning, promoting and executing the ministry of the Association in cooperation with the Committee on Missions.
B. He shall make an annual report to the Association at the August meeting.

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

C. He shall be ex-officio member of all committees of the Association, serving in an advisory and/or resource capacity.

D. He shall seek to visit each church in the Association in order to:
   (1) Enrich Christian fellowship among churches.
   (2) Encourage and strengthen the ministry of the churches.
   (3) Enhance the cooperative relationship between the churches and the Association.

E. He shall, when necessary, conduct surveys or inquiries, in order to determine specific needs for ministry with the area of the Association.

F. He shall, upon request, provide a list of qualified persons who may be considered by churches seeking pastors.

G. He shall have full administrative responsibility for all personnel employed by the Association.

H. **Strengthen Program Organizations**
   (1) Promote evangelism and church growth through total church organizations. Provide needed helps to enable churches to become better equipped in areas of church ministry.

I. **Promote Missions**
   (1) Encourage and lead in mission commitment of member churches utilizing Bold Mission Thrust Plans, by creating awareness to mission opportunities, new work, and by assisting in the development of church mission development programs, church extension, language missions, Christian social ministries, chaplaincy ministries, interfaith witness and special mission ministries.

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

(2) Give high priority to reaching the many unreached Hispanics through existing churches and in new work.

J. Develop Leadership

(1) Encourage and provide support for development and improvement in areas of church, ministry, dealing with crisis times, leadership, and supervision skills, etc. Approaches will include family ministry, seminary extensions, workshops and conferences for church secretaries, church clerks (Uniform Church Letter), non-salaried and salaried leaders, music workshops, pastors' retreats, and ethnic leadership development.

K. Nurture Fellowship

(1) Nurture fellowship among member churches.

(3) The Associational Missionary is entitled to two weeks vacation annually. Upon completion of five years service, the Associational Missionary shall be entitled to three weeks annual vacation, and after ten years, four weeks annual vacation. Vacation is to be taken within the calendar year, and it is not accumulative.

(4) Should there occur at any time a grievance on the part of the Association of the Associational Missionary, either party may consult with the Moderator and Chairman of the Missions Committee.

Section 6. The officers of the other organizations within the Association shall be nominated by their respective organizations and their names furnished, and presented to the Association for action at each annual session.

Section 7. The officers designated in Section 1, the Associational Missionary excepted, shall be elected at the morning session of

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

the first day of the annual meeting and shall assume their duties at the close of the annual meeting, at which they are elected, and serve until the close of the next session.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties

Section 1. The committees of the Association shall be: Executive Committee, Committee on New Churches, Program Committee, Committee on Place and Preacher, Resolutions Committee, Missions Committee, Nominating Committee, and such other committees as the Association may designate and name at any annual session. All committee members will serve for a period of three (3) years. Initially each committee will, with the consent of each member, designate which committee member will serve the three (3) year, two (2) year, and one (1) year term. After the completion of a term, no member shall be eligible for re-election to the committee until after the lapse of one year.

Section 2. The Associational Executive Committee shall be composed of one lay member of all churches, the pastors of such churches, and the officers of the Association, as listed under Section 1 of Article IV. Twelve members of this committee shall constitute a quorum to transact business, after notice of such meeting has been mailed, or otherwise given to all members of the committee at least three days prior to the proposed meeting. Members of this committee shall be elected by the churches annually.

Section 3. The Committee on Organized Churches shall consist of the Moderator, ex officio, three pastors, and three lay-persons. This committee shall be responsible for receiving letters of application for membership into the Association by organized Missionary Baptist Churches. This committee's responsibility shall be to communicate to applying churches the requirements of a cooperating church, as herein defined in Article I, section 5, paragraph 2 of the Ashe Baptist Association Constitution. Applying churches, upon recommendation of this committee, shall, with approval of the messengers at the annual session, serve one year under watch

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

care of the Association. This committee shall work with this church during this period and then make final recommendations at the next annual meeting.

Section 4. The Program Committee shall consist of five members who shall prepare an order of business for the annual meeting, including the designating of persons to make reports as to the various objects supported by the Churches of the Association. The Associational office shall prepare copies of the same for distribution to those attending the annual sessions of the Association.

Section 5. The Committee on Place and Preacher shall consist of three members, who may be appointed by the Moderator, with consent of the Association. At each annual session, this Committee shall recommend to the Association a place, or places, for the holding of the annual meeting of the Association, and shall designate a minister to deliver the Associational sermon and an alternate.

Section 6. The Resolutions Committee shall consist of three members to be appointed by the Moderator. This Committee shall prepare and submit to the Association such resolutions as it may consider pertinent and proper for the good of the body.

Section 7. The Nominating Committee shall name a Nominating Committee of five (5) members who shall bring to the second Executive Committee of the calendar year, (which is normally in April), for election of the following nominations: Clerk, Youth Director, Brotherhood Director, Discipleship Training Director, Evangelism Chairperson, Moderator, Music Director, Seminary Extension Director, Sunday School Director, and others who are invited to receive training at the Key Leadership Conference by the Baptist State Convention, (which is normally in May).

This Committee shall also present at the annual meeting for election all of the other committee members which are covered herein. Organizational heads will be named by their respective organizations and presented to the Nominating Committee at least two weeks before their nominations are presented to the Executive

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Committee at their second meeting, (which is normally in April).

If the organizations do not present their respective organizational heads two weeks prior to the April Executive Committee, then the Nominating Committee will select those needed and present their names to the second Executive Committee meeting (normally in April). The chairman of the Nominating Committee will contact these organizational heads before making these selections to be sure they have not already selected someone.

All other nominations shall be presented and elected on the first day of the annual meeting of the Association. All nominations at the Executive Committee meeting and the annual meeting are subject to additional nominations from the floor, and the expressed will of the Association.

Section 8. The Moderator is authorized and directed to appoint suitable persons at each session to prepare and present to the next session reports on the various subjects and causes customary to be presented and to notify such persons in due time before the meeting of the Association. (Refer to Article IV, Section 2.)

Section 9. The Board of Directors of the Ashe Baptist Summer Camp shall consist of nine members who shall initially be chosen, three (3) for one year, three (3) for two years, and three (3) for three years.

Of the said members, three shall be active pastors in the Association. After the completion of one term, no member shall be eligible for re-election to this board until after the lapse of one year. No more than one member of this board shall be chosen from any one church of the Association. The treasurer of the Ashe Baptist Summer Camp, (who shall serve in addition to the nine member Board of Directors), shall be elected by the Board of Directors on an indefinite basis. He/She shall have voting privileges as do other members.

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to cooperate with the officials, pastors, and Executive Committee of the Association in promoting and advancing the development and operation of the camp; to supervise and direct the work of the camp; and to make a report to the Association at each annual meeting. Vacancies

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

occurring in this organization shall be filled in accordance with the provision of Section 7 thereof.

Section 10. The Mission Committee shall consist of seven (7) members, five (5) of which shall be heads of the following organizations: Sunday School, Discipleship Training, Brotherhood, WMU and Church Music. The names of these five (5) shall be submitted to the Associational Nominating Committee by their respective organizations and voted on by the full body on the first day of the annual meeting. The other two (2) members shall be active pastors in the Association and they shall be named by the Associational Nominating Committee. They too shall be elected along with the organizational heads. Should any of the before mentioned organizations fail to submit the name of a person nominated by themselves to serve as head of that organization, then the Associational Nominating Committee shall be responsible for nominating that person.

These seven (7) people shall constitute the Associational Missionary Search Committee, when such a need arises. This Committee shall work with the Associational Missionary in promoting the work of the Association and lead and assist in determining need for beginning new missions stations and organizing new churches. The Moderator and Associational Missionary shall be ex officio members of this committee.

Section 11. The Ordination Committee shall consist of five (5) members, all of whom must be ordained ministers, meeting the qualifications as stated in I Timothy 3:1-7, and who are members of cooperating churches of the Ashe Baptist Association. The Chairman, at his discretion, may invite the pastor of a candidate to sit with the committee. Churches of the Association desiring to ordain a preacher to the Gospel ministry, and desiring to use the services of the Ordination Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association, shall use the following procedure.

1. The Church in conference shall vote to ask the Ordination Committee to examine the candidate and so notify the chairman.
2. The candidate shall meet the following conditions

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before ordination:

(a) Hold membership in a cooperating Missionary Baptist church.

(b) Shall have held a license to preach, issued by a cooperating Missionary Baptist Church for not less than six months.

3. The chairman shall set a suitable time and place, notifying the members, for the examination.
4. The candidate shall be examined as to his conversion, call to the ministry, doctrinal beliefs, and attitude toward our denomination and its programs.
5. The Committee Chairman shall notify the church of its recommendations and they may proceed with the ordination.

Section 12. The Evangelism Committee, composed of 5 members, shall promote the work of Evangelism in the churches and the Association in cooperation with the State Department of Evangelism. All plans and programs are to be subject to the approval of the Association, or its Executive Committee.

Section 13. The Nominating Committee shall nominate a Committee on Constitution and By-Laws consisting of five members, of which the first named shall serve as chairman. It shall be the duty of this committee to receive, examine and make recommendations to the Association on all proposed amendments to the Constitution or the By-Laws.

Section 14. The Nominating Committee shall nominate a Properties Committee, which shall consist of three members, and shall have the responsibility of recommending the purchase of necessary property, and the construction of necessary buildings. This Committee shall recommend any repairs and improvements needed on Associational property beyond normal repair. All recommendations are subject to approval by the Executive Committee between sessions or the full-body session.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

Section 15. The Committee on Finance, composed of five (5) members and the treasurer, shall study the Association's financial needs for an adequate program, prepare and present a budget to the Association for the following year, devise and develop plans for securing the cooperation of churches in providing funds to meet the budget. The treasurer will submit a complete financial report at the annual meeting in August.

Section 16. The Committee on Youth shall be composed of at least nine (9) members, three (3) of whom shall be ministers. The Chairman, also called "Youth Director," shall be selected from within their own ranks. The Committee shall be concerned with ways of relating youth to the churches of the Association and shall lead the Churches and Association to plan programs and activities that will meet their needs.

Section 17. The Seminary Extension Committee, composed of five (5) members, shall work with the chairman of the Committee to plan, promote and implement the offering of such courses of study as will meet the needs of pastors and lay-persons in the areas of Biblical studies, historical theology, Baptist life, church administration, Christian education, and pastoral training.

Section 18. There shall be five (5) trustees of the Association. They shall handle all legal matters of the Association under the direction of the said Association. Trustees shall be elected for an indefinite term and shall serve at the pleasure of the Association.

Section 19. The Associational Historian, in his/her sole discretion, shall collect facts of interest to the Association and the cooperating churches, and shall make a report to each annual session of the Association. In addition, he/she shall contact hosting churches of the annual meeting and request a brief history of each church for publication in the Book of Reports and the Associational Annual.

Article VI
Meetings and Reports

Section 1. The Association shall hold an annual meeting conven-

ing in the month of August of each year, at such time and place as may be designated or authorized by the previous session.

Section 2. Each organization within the Association shall make a written report to the Association at each annual meeting.

Section 3. A special session of the Association may be called by the Moderator with the approval of the Executive Committee.

Section 4. The Associational Executive Committee shall meet quarterly.

Article VII
Order of Religious Exercises

Section 1. At the annual meeting the Associational Sermon shall be delivered as herein before provided.

Section 2. In addition to the Associational Sermon, the Program Committee shall designate a minister to deliver at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while such sermons are being delivered. No sermon shall be scheduled so as to conflict or interfere with the business sessions of the Association or the presentation of reports to the Association.

Article VIII
Amendments

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present, and voting on the second day, provided that such amendment is presented in writing on the first day, or that notice of such amendment shall have been given during the previous annual session.

Report from Ashe Pregnancy Care Center
To the Ashe Baptist Association
August 20, 1999

James 1 17 "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning."

Since January 1, 1999, we have already seen over 400 clients including 70 new clients We had the privilege of leading one young mother to the Lord with a definite decision of salvation. Numerous families are now attending churches in the area and many men and women for the first time are realizing that they have a heavenly Father who cares about their personal lives.

We are pleased to advise additional churches are supporting us on a regular basis and the finances are better than they were several months ago The Director and Board are rejoicing in the Lord's faithfulness. Anonymous donations enabled us to enlarge our parking lot which was much needed. There were times when we were blocking our neighbor downstairs and the road with over exuberant clients We also purchased an air conditioner for the Center through anonymous donations. Several WMU groups are planning baby showers for the Center in the near future This enables us to give each new baby a diaper bag filled with new items to help Mom and baby off to a great start.

We are seeing more abortion-minded women and thank the Lord they come to us first. We can prayerfully explain the horrendous affects abortion will have on their lives in the present and the future Not only does it cost the life of a child but the psychological effects on the mother and father are long-lasting. We are able to refer any clients needing post-abortion counseling to a Bible study taught at our Center every other week by Ann Cook of the Boone Crisis Pregnancy Center

Each one of you are part of each life that is saved as a result of counseling received at the Care Center. This year we have seen six children saved from abortion as a direct result of Ashe Pregnancy Care Center. Men and women realize they can come to the Center for unconditional love, acceptance, assistance, prayer and renewal. We provide services including a free, confidential, self-administered pregnancy test, education on abortion including the impact on the mother and father of the child; education and information on adoption and shepherding homes, post abortion counseling, referrals to other agencies in the area (including Ashe Really Cares), baby clothing; diapers, maternity clothing; baby furniture; Bibles and the good news of Jesus Christ as Savior

To the churches that are currently partnering with us, thank you and we encourage you to even step out farther in faith To those churches that are not involved in this important life-saving work, we invite you to get in on the blessings We need your church's financial support! That is how we operate. We do not accept any government money There is so much more we could be doing with more finances such as classes for our mothers including CPR and child –care (which would require a paid instructor), a lending library of Christian books on child care, marriage relationships, and abstinence If, at anytime, we can come to your church, please do not hesitate to contact the Director or any member of the Board. We are also seeking additional Board members and if you feel the Lord leading you to participate in this ministry, do not hesitate to request an application

We are in need of additional volunteers in areas of counseling and the area of just sorting clothes and answering the phone at the Center We would like to expand our hours to meet working women's schedules but at this time are limited by personnel/volunteers You are welcome at the Center for a tour Just call 246-4100 and arrangements can be made The Center is located at 120-A Blackburn Street (across from Lowe's).

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Hoefl, Director
Chairman, Tom Korevec

Board Members:
Mark Scott, Secretary
Jim Durr
Rev. Jim Rash
Linda Lawrence
Susan Shipe
Kitty Lawrence
Rev. Gary Shelton

Ashe Really Cares Report

It is with pleasure that I report to you that Ashe Really Cares Center is progressing remarkably. Your response to this mission has been tremendous. Sincere thanks goes to each church and each individual that has contributed. Food, clothing, household items, money have been received. We have volunteers that have supported in time and energy. It is felt that God's hand is being extended through each person that has helped in any way.

It was anticipated that seventeen (17) clients would be served the first month. The number of people seen was more than double that amount.

There are many needy and hurting people in our community. Many much less fortunate than most of us. The Bible states in I Thessalonians 5:14: "Now we exhort you, brethren... comfort the feeble minded, support the weak, be patient toward all men." Hopefully, this is what is being accomplished at Ashe Really Cares. We are not only supplying food, clothing, and household items - the physical needs -but we are able to encourage and most important, meet spiritual needs.

We have given 116 boxes of food. Through those boxes of food approximately 348 peoples lives have been affected. In each box a track and literature are included. We have been able to pray with 98% of the people that we have served. We are trying to make sure that each family has a Bible. A book or toy is given to each child. We're trying to build a love relationship with our clients. Letting them know that we sincerely care about their needs.

We have been able to supply furniture, arrange for rent to be paid, electric bill to be paid. Arrangements have been made for a young girl to go to school and get her GED.
It is through your efforts and generosity that these things have been possible. "For God loveth a cheerful giver", so states II Corinthians 9:7. I read a story recently that goes like this:

"One day when the Scottish essayist Thomas Carlyle was a young boy, he was at home alone. A beggar came to the door. The man was ragged, unshaven, and said he was hungry. Young Carlyle was moved with compassion. He went to his room, broke open his piggy bank, and poured all of its coins into the beggar's hands. Years later he wrote that he had never again experienced the happiness he knew on that day. Carlyle learned early what we all need to know. When we give, it brings a threefold hapiness - to the giver, to the receiver, and... to God. 'Father, help us to keep our hearts open when any of your children come to us in need.' (Drue Duke)"

Ashe Really Cares Report (continued)

If you want to know the joy of giving and have some free time, come and volunteer. There is a guaranteed blessing in store If that is not possible, keep remembering the Center and the clients in your prayers. God wants to do a mighty work through us.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Powers

8/8/99

Monthly Cash Flow

2/1/99 Through 6/30/99

Subcategory	2/99	3/99	4/99	5/99	6/99	Total
Income						
DEPOSIT	2,100.00	5,809.81	1,775.00	1,743.00	11,330.64	22,758.45
Wages & Salary						
Net Pay			(435.00)	(580.00)	(580.00)	(1,595.00)
NON TAXED			(152.25)			(152.25)
Total Wages & Salary			(587.25)	(580.00)	(580.00)	(1,747.25)
Income - Unassigned					535.18	535.18
Total Income	2,100.00	5,809.81	1,187.75	1,163.00	11,285.82	21,546.38
Expenses						
Bank Charges						
CHECK ORDER		43.00				43.00
EXCESS WITHDRAWAL			2.20	1.10		3.30
Bank Charges - Unassigned					2.20	2.20
Total Bank Charge		43.00	2.20	1.10	2.20	48.50
Bills						
Rent		300.00	300.00	300.00	1,100.00	2,000.00
Water & Sewer			22.00	22.00	22.00	66.00
Total Bills		300.00	322.00	322.00	1,122.00	2,066.00
ELECTRIC BILL			77.59	66.63		144.22
Household						
Furnishings		160.00		129.00		289.00
Total Household		160.00		129.00		289.00
Insurance						
Homeowner's/Renter's			75.00			75.00
WORKER COMP					332.00	332.00
Total Insurance			75.00		332.00	407.00
Miscellaneous			27.72	272.97	2.12	302.81
Reimbursement						
Food				203.66	142.43	346.09
FURNITURE				100.00		100.00
SUPPLIES				10.84		10.84
Reimbursement - Unassigned			103.37		202.86	306.23
Total Reimbursement			103.37	314.50	345.29	763.16
Total Expenses		503.00	607.88	1,106.20	1,803.61	4,020.69
Income less Expenses	2,100.00	5,306.81	579.87	56.80	9,482.21	17,525.69

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ASSOCIATIONAL DISCIPLESHIP REPORT 1999

Jesus said *"If you hold to my teaching you are really my disciples."* (John 8:31) Jesus also said *"Go and make disciples . . . teaching them to obey."* (Matthew 28:19) Scripture relates the disciples were called Christians first at Antioch (Acts 11:26b) **Discipleship is not a program provided by the church on Sunday evening - Discipleship is a process of living a life following Jesus Christ.** To be a Christian is to be a disciple

Jesus says it cost us to be His disciples. Christ must come first--before father, mother, wife or husband, children, brothers, sisters and yes, even before our own life. Luke 14:27 says if we do not follow Christ and bear the cross we cannot be His disciple

Webster defines disciple as a follower of any teacher. **A Christian (a disciple) is a follower of Jesus Christ.** To truly follow Christ we must know Him, His teachings, His ways and be able to apply it to our lives. God has provided us excellent tools to help us in this spiritual endeavor of discipleship. First and most importantly is His Holy Word. We must read, study and meditate on His Holy Scriptures daily. God's Holy Spirit will give us understanding and point us to Christ always. As we study, meditate, memorize and apply God's word, Christ is revealed and His will is made known to us. God will reveal His activity around us and invite us to join Him. It is when we are obedient to serve Him that we experience the joy of our salvation

God has provided for Southern Baptists a multitude of resources to prepare us to serve Him. The **Christian Growth Study Plan** is an excellent help. Christians can earn diplomas in Leadership and Skill Development for areas such as

- Preschool and Children's Ministries
- Youth and Adult Ministries
- ASSOCIATIONAL Leadership Ministry
- Deacon Ministry
- Church Media Program
- Church Recreation Leadership
- Evangelism Leadership
- On Mission Team Leadership
- Stewardship Leadership
- Church Secretaries
- Christian Vocational Preparation

Diplomas can be earned in areas of Christian Growth

- Prayer and Worship
- Missions and Evangelism
- Bible Study and the Church
- Ministry and Ethics
- Baptist History and Baptist Doctrine
- Personal Home and Family Life

This past year I have shared this **Christian Growth Study Plan** with several churches. Discipleship in your church will be intentional. It won't just happen. You must plan, prepare and conduct an ongoing and short term training opportunities. Discipleship will happen as you intentionally study God's Word. We are reminded in 2 Timothy 3:16 & 17--*"**All Scripture is God breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work**"*

We also sponsored an in-depth New Age Workshop at Friendship Baptist Church April 16 and 17. Our workshop presenter was Dr Ravi from the North American Mission Board in Georgia. He did an outstanding job of showing us how New Age ideas began to filter into our nation and the rapid progression and growth of these heretical teachings since the 1960's. He presented us with ways to be a positive witness for Christ to persons in New Age practices. Dr Ravi will be glad to come to your church to conduct this same training. I strongly urge you to make yourselves aware of what the New Age Religion is promoting since Ashe County is being so strongly influenced by activity in Watauga County

I encourage every church to do intentional discipleship training. Make it a priority purpose for your church. To be a Christian is to be a disciple. A disciple is a follower of Jesus Christ. Make sure you are helping every believer in your church to follow Christ to the best of their ability. If you want or need assistance in developing a plan to provide spiritual growth opportunities for every believer in your church, call the ASSOCIATIONAL office or you can call me at 982-4310

Respectfully Submitted
Dorothy Witherspoon

Baptist Children's Homes of NC 1999 Book of Reports

David S. Clay, *Trustee Chai*
Michael C. Blackwell, *Presiden*

Three rocks beside her trailer house warned four-year-old Mamie not to tell anyone of the way her father was abusing her.

If she ever told, her father said, those stones would mark her grave and the graves of her two best friends.

"He had already killed my dog," says Mamie, now 16. "So I believed him."

When authorities discovered Mamie's abuse at the hands of her father, she was taken from him, and he was charged, but released on bond. He came to the house where Mamie was staying to kill the people in the house...and her. But he was subdued. She heard him through the wall threaten her death while she cowered inside.

Mamie's mother, who left the family when Mamie was six weeks old, attended her father's trial, but only "to see if Mamie looked like me." Mamie never saw her.

George and Linda Hogan, believing "every child deserves a childhood," took Mamie in and raised her as their own. They met her while delivering communion elements to her grandmother.

"It's been a struggle, but you do the best you can," said Linda, who suffers with diabetic ulcers. After her 71-year-old husband had a second heart attack, Mamie became too much for the couple to handle.

She lives now at Moody Home, a structured value change home for girls in Franklin, one of 13 facilities operated by Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina.

Shredding the Safety Net

Mamie pressed the boundaries of love, and George and Linda weren't physically able to pull her back to safety.

"I tried to push the boundaries a little further and a little further, to see how far I could push before they snapped. Finally, they couldn't take it anymore," Mamie said.

Baptist Children's Homes serves families who "can't take it anymore," who have children or grandchildren whose behaviors are out of bounds.

In 1998-99 BCH served 1,646 children and their families through 13 facilities statewide. BCH operates residential campuses in Thomasville, Pembroke, Kinston and Clyde; a maternity home in Asheville; a teen mother/baby home in Lenoir; values change homes for girls in Franklin and Lenoir; therapeutic camping in Cameron; crisis cottages at the residential campuses and in Waynesville; and model day care in Thomasville.

Beginning with Easter 1999 and continuing through Thanksgiving 2000, BCH instituted a 20-month institutional emphasis of "*Quality Service Through Quality Relationships.*" Michael C. Blackwell, president since 1983, is "committed to keeping our staff and our services fresh and vital to meet ever changing needs."

The emphasis places top priority on relationships to achieve the highest quality of service possible. The QSTQR operating theme will permeate every action, program and effort within the institution and without.

The word "quality" has been overused and under-realized, and it too often cloaks mediocrity with imagined value. There will be no such veneer at BCH.

Building and Renovating

BCH moved ahead its Odum Home campus in Pembroke to meet new challenges April 27, 1999 by dedicating two major campus renovations. Space for 10 boys was added to the old "main" building which was named Luther and Audrey Carter Hall, in honor of the donor couple who left their estate to BCH.

The former house used for a director's residence was renovated to serve five girls in transitional care and named for longtime trustee and supporters Al and Jackie Elmore.

Total renovations increased capacity at Odum Home from 28 residents to 45. Additionally, 10 day students from Pembroke Middle School will be served at the Winifred Lindsay Education/Administrative Center. These students have issues to resolve that do not require them to be in residential care.

At Cameron Boys Camp May 4, two important staff lodges were dedicated: the A.J. Fletcher Lodge and the Hubert M. Craig Lodge. These lodges provide staff housing, a rare commodity in wilderness setting in which Cameron Boys Camp operates.

"North Carolina's largest family" is grateful to our North Carolina Baptist partners, as together, we help hurting children and heal broken families. To secure our new video about BCH, schedule a speaker or access services call (800) 476-3669.

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS -1999

From the beginning in 1923, The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated has dared to reach and grasp that which others thought was impossible. For many years we have been thought of as a referral hospital where we received the most severe medical cases. Over the years we have become one of the leading research centers in the Southeastern United States. Each role compliments the other. It is a great challenge to innovatively treat these extremely difficult cases and heartwarming to see our compassionate physicians and staff assist in the healing process. People have learned through the years to expect from us the very best in health care. We are committed to make sure that their highest expectations are always met or exceeded.

In May of 1999, The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated celebrated 76 years of service to the community and the region. During these years the Hospital has been faithful to the vision of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. When the Hospital was birthed, the Convention stated the reason for doing so was to **extend the healing ministry which was demonstrated by Jesus Christ.** Many challenges have been faced through these years, but the commitment to compassionately strive for innovative excellence has remained the same.

Baptist churches from all across North Carolina joined us in mutual mission through the Mother's Day Offering. This annual in-gathering of love was approved by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina in 1924. In 1998 the Mother's Day Offering amounted to $530,874.. It was used exclusively to help patients who had little or no health care insurance or no other financial means to pay their hospital bills. From the offering this past year, well over $200,000 was used to assist members of our Baptist churches in North Carolina. May God bless all those who supported us with prayers and gave so generously.

During the year, the Department of Chaplaincy and Pastoral Education provided worship services in Davis Chapel on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday, as well as services in the J. Paul Sticht Center. Chaplain supervisors, residents and interns made more than 50,000 ministry contacts last year. Seventy-five students graduated from the Department's fully accredited Clinical Pastoral Education program. Maurice Briggs retired from the Department in February after 30 years of service. He was known throughout the Hospital for his pastoral presence and the depth of his sensitivity and care.

The Department of Pastoral Counseling/CareNet, Inc. continues to expand its ministries. There are now 13 Christian counseling centers located in strategic areas from Franklin to Wilmington. During the year these professionally staffed centers will provide over 26,000 hours of Christian counseling.

The center for Congregational Health, Inc. continues to expand its mission of helping congregations become healthier communities of faith. Programs and assistance offered to churches include: Consultation, Intentional Interim Ministry, and Leadership Development. Resources for ministers include: Young Leaders Program, Leadership Development Group, Interim Ministry Training, and Intentional Interim Ministry training.

With more than 11,000 employees, four restaurants, two banks and a post office that handles more mail than some towns, the Medical Center has been called a city-within-a-city. We are the largest employer in Forsyth and Guilford counties.

The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated has opened BestHealth-a community health information center - at Hanes Mall in Winston-Salem. The center will provide a library of books, audio and videotapes, limited Internet access, computer software and a variety of on-site programs to help area residents become better informed about their health and how to remain well

Submitted by Len B. Preslar Jr., President
The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated

BROTHERHOOD
(BAPTIST MEN)

As another year has come and gone, we are indeed thankful for the men and boys of the Ashe Baptist Association. Just to mention a few of the activities we have been involved in. In mid Winter, many of our men were able to attend the Regional Brotherhood Rally in Boone, North Carolina. A good number of our men joined together in early Spring and painted the new gym at Uplands Reach Conference Center. At the present time we are involved in the construction of the new picnic shelter at the Ashe Baptist Campgound. Also, our men and boys are involved in many mission projects in their local churches and communities such as roadside clean up, cutting firewood for the elderly, snow removal, and building of wheelchair ramps.

If your church does not have an active Brotherhood, please allow me the opportunity to share with you or if I can be of help in any way, please call me at 982-3316 or the Associational Office at 246-5631.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred Walters

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF BAPTIST MEN/MEN'S MINISTRY?

BAPTIST MEN EXISTS TO HELP CHURCHES INVOLVE THEIR MEMBERS IN MISSIONS. EVERY CHRISTIAN IS CALLED, GIFTED AND SENT TO WITNESS AND MINISTER TO NONBELIEVERS EVERYWHERE.

ALL PEOPLE, NOT JUST ORDAINED MINISTERS, ARE EQUALLY RESPONSIBLE TO BE WITNESSES FOR CHRIST.

MISSION STATEMENT

THE GOAL OF NC BAPTIST MEN IS TO HELP NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST CHURCHES AND ASSOCIATIONS INVOLVE THEIR MEMBERS (ESPECIALLY MEN AND BOYS) IN MISSIONS AND MINISTRY.

THE OBJECTIVES FOR ACCOMPLISHING THIS GOAL ARE TO:

1. ENABLE AND EQUIP MEN AND BOYS TO BE PERSONALLY INVOLVED IN MISSION ACTIVITIES.
2. ENCOURAGE MEN AND BOYS TO IDENTIFY AND DEVELOP THEIR PERSONAL MINISTRIES.
3. EDUCATE MEN AND BOYS CONCERNING MISSION OPPORTUNITIES.
4. TEACH MEN AND BOYS THE IMPORTANT OF PRAYING FOR AND GIVING TO MISSIONS.
5. LEAD MEN AND BOYS IN DEVELOPING IN ALL AREAS AND ASPECTS OF THEIR LIVES TO BECOME MATURE, ACTIVE AND INVOLVED CHRISTIANS.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION OF THE BROTHERHOOD ORGANIZATION FOR YOUR CHURCH, PLEASE CALL ME AT 982-3316 OR THE ASSOCIATION OFFICE AT 246-5631.

Baptist Camp Ground Report

Special thanks for all the folks who have helped to make our Ashe Baptist Camp Ground one of the best places to find peace, love and joy that only comes from God.

The committee for the campground has been hard at work trying to improve things at the campground this year. We have met to plan implementation of several projects for this year. We have improved the heating system in the Mattie Parsons Memorial Building, painted areas, added a new sign at the road entrance, added a new swing set, improved the road into the camp as well as many small things too numerous to mention.

The new 24ft.x 24ft. shelter would not have been possible without the help of Baptist Men who gave of their time to build this facility. The folks who use the camp are especially indebted to you.

This year a water monitoring system has been implemented to assure water quality control.

Special thanks also go out to Ann Eldreth who touches up after you use the camp and reports any damage and Harold Jordan who is our maintenance man as well as the many volunteers who have helped. Be sure and thank these folks when you see them for a job well done.

We thank God for His blessings on the camp, for the churches giving financially and mowing of the grass.

The following is a brief summary of it's usage:

Churches	39 days
Groups	5
Reunions	10

Be sure and visit your camp anytime between April 1 and October 31. You may get a key at the associational office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leonard Jordan
Camp Director

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

BIBLE TEACHING REACHING
AC TEAM
ASSOCIATIONAL RESOURCE SPECIALIST

Associational Sunday School ministry in North Carolina is ready to take on the new millennium with all of its challenges and opportunities. Ashe Baptist Association has a great team of specialist ready and willing to be a part of this endeavor.

This Spring I had the opportunity to meet with a study group consisting of associational staff and associational Sunday School leaders in Asheville. We met to evaluate our current work, to discuss how we can improve and develope a new vision for Associational Sunday School ministry in North Carolina in the new millennium.

We have evolved from Associational Sunday School Superintendants in the 60's and 70's, to ASSISTteams in the 80's, to ACTeams in the 90's. We determined that a new regional approach would be beneficial in meeting the millennium challenges. The Regional and Associational Resource Specialist concept was born.

There are 10 regions in our state convention each consisting of several associations. Each region would have its own team of Regional Resource Specialists (currently known as State Special Workers). Then each Association would have its own team of Associational Resource Specialists (currently known as ACTeams). Hopefully with this concept we will be bringing training closer to home instead of at Ridgecrest, Caraway or Caswell.

Last year the entire team went to training and then came back to share with you what they picked up. They are all going to do it again this year. Please be much in prayer for the Team as they try to serve the Lord in that way again this year. Also, pray for Sunday School ministry in the new millennium.

Respectfully submitted.

Your servant, Jim Ketner
Resource Specialist Director

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Biblical Recorder Associational Report
July 1, 1999

The *Biblical Recorder* is the official news journal of North Carolina Baptists. The earliest version of the *Recorder* was founded in 1833 by Thomas Meredith, who had also been influential in the birth of the Baptist State Convention in 1830. The *Biblical Recorder* was owned and operated as a private enterprise in support of Baptist work in North Carolina until 1938, when the paper was purchased by the Baptist State Convention and incorporated as an agency of the convention.

A number of able editors have served the *Biblical Recorder*, which is widely acknowledged to be in the top echelon of state Baptist papers. The current editor is Tony W. Cartledge, whose tenure began on January 1, 1999.

The *Biblical Recorder* plays a strategic role in promoting God's kingdom work through North Carolina Baptists. On April 22, 1999, the Board of Directors of the *Biblical Recorder* adopted the following mission statement: ***"Our Mission is to further Christ's kingdom by providing relevant news, insightful opinions and supportive resources to North Carolina Baptists in a timely and accessible fashion."***

The *Biblical Recorder* belongs to all North Carolina Baptists, and appropriately reflects the geographical, ecclesiological, and theological diversity that is typical of the churches making up the Baptist State Convention. The editors and staff of the *Recorder* work diligently to offer a fair and balanced presentation of the news that most affects the life and ministry of North Carolina Baptists. Opinions advanced through editorials, letters, and analytical essays help to spark the thinking of North Carolina Baptists who want to make up their own minds about important issues. Feature stories about notable or innovative activities of churches and associations, regular reports on partnership missions efforts, and weekly commentaries on the most popular Sunday School lessons offer ideas, encouragement, and inspiration to readers of the *Recorder*.

To communicate more effectively and to present the most important news in a more timely fashion, the *Biblical Recorder* has developed a popular presence on the World Wide Web. The *Recorder*'s website at *hhtp://www.biblicalrecorder.org* offers Internet users an opportunity to read much of each paper's content several days before printed versions arrive. This is particularly helpful during convention meetings and at other times when frequent updates are desirable. As time and resources allow, additional features will be added to make the website an even more valuable source of information for North Carolina Baptists.

The *Biblical Recorder* works in partnership with the Baptist State Convention, and receives annual support from Cooperative Program gifts as an agency of the Convention. This support makes it possible to offer the *Recorder* at very affordable subscription rates. Currently, the annual rates are:

- Church News Service (incorporates church newsletter into the *Recorder*) - $6.36
- Every Home Plan (20%+ of church families, paid through the church budget) - $7.42

- Club Plan (4 or more persons in a church subscribe together) - $8.48
- Individual Subscription - $10.60

Subscription packets and free sample issues are available. For more information, please contact:

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ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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ANNUAL REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS
1999

It is a joy for the Christian Action League of North Carolina to serve the churches of this great state. We continue to work to inform the Christian community about the moral issues that face our state and nation. Our goal is to address these issues with the principles of God's Word, the cornerstone of all truth.

A. Christian Values

- It was the pleasure of the Christian Action League to be one of the sponsors of the Fourth Annual Christian Heritage Week of North Carolina held in March. The League encouraged schools, churches and communities to recognize, commemorate and learn about the Christian heritage and history of our nation. CAL assisted in sponsoring a state-wide essay contest for high school students (public, private and home schools) and presented state winners with awards for excellence.
- Continued to promote Christian citizenship throughout the churches and communities of our state. CAL has distributed over 14,000 copies of the Ten Commandments to churches, businesses, schools and homes across North Carolina. Promoted Sanctity of Human Life Sunday and the National Day of Prayer statewide.
- Held a Church Leadership Legislative Day on April 6, 1999. The purpose of this day was to have pastors and church leaders to come together and enjoy fellowship, meet and hear some of our legislators and become more aware of how state government and the legislative process works.
- Promoted awareness of the worldwide persecution of Christians through faxes, emails and newsletter.

B. Gambling

Lottery proponents continue in their efforts to bring a state-sponsored lottery to North Carolina. Four lottery bills were introduced this session. CAL monitors these efforts and updates the Christian community on lottery information through letters, calls and our fax and electronic mail networks. Lawmakers have continued to receive a barrage of communications from across the state saying that the lottery is a bad bet for North Carolina.

C. Sex Education

Worked with other Christian and pro-family groups to see that the state mandate for Abstinence Until Marriage education is implemented state-wide. Also, supported efforts to insure that federal grant money designated to promote abstinence education was used properly. Informed citizens and legislators concerning attempts to fund school-based clinics in North Carolina schools.

D. Abortion

CAL monitored SB 349/HB 1066 (Act to Ban Partial Birth Abortion), this legislation would have made this type of abortion a class H felony for anyone who performed the late-term procedure. This bill died in committee. Successfully encouraged legislators to limit the State Abortion Fund to cases resulting only from rape, incest and the life of the mother. In the last four years, only one abortion has occurred under these circumstances using tax-payer funds.

E. Alcohol

CAL monitored all legislation concerning alcohol and other drugs. Successfully supported efforts to strengthen DWI laws. Assisted communities in organizing committees to fight alcohol and drug use. Informed citizens statewide about legislation that would have approved alcohol sales without the vote of the people. Four bills were introduced this session that would have permitted alcohol sales without a voter referendum; SB 17, SB 173, SB 606, SB 607 and HB 1043. Provided awareness, education and resource materials related to substance abuse problems to churches, communities, etc.

F. Pornography

Worked against HB 1248 which would have allowed individuals to perform in the nude if it "occurs as part of a play, dance, performance or artistic creation that contains serious literary, artistic, political or scientific value." The bill died in committee.

G. Homosexuality

CAL supports efforts to strengthen the traditional family and continues to monitor and inform the public about the activities of those who promote the radical homosexual agenda. HB 884 and SB's 701, 884 and 759 were all introduced to promote the acceptance of homosexuality as an alternative lifestyle. CAL with other like-minded organizations fought these bills and they were defeated. Worked against HB 1398 (Needle Exchange Program) which would have allowed the state to furnish free needles to drug users using tax-payer dollars.

For A Better North Carolina,

Johnny R Henderson

Reverend Johnny R. Henderson
Executive Director

Joe S. Lennon

Joe S. Lennon
President

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ASHE COUNTY CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE

The Christian Action League is a voluntary organization, composed of Christians and concerned citizens brought together to oppose those destructive influences in society which contribute to the low-level of public morality existing today. The League emphasizes the importance of moral and spiritual values to the development of the individual, state and nation as a whole. The league is dedicated to eliminating laws which allow for the sale of beverage alcohol, legalized gambling, and other forms of vice which work against family values.

The Christian Action League of Ashe County urges individuals and churches to take a stand against the sale of alcoholic beverages and to the legalization of a state sponsored lottery and para-mutual gambling in our state. Edmund Burke said that for evil to flourish good men do nothing. The alcohol industry is pushing laws in the legislature that do not allow for a vote of the people. They can accomplish this by contributing huge amounts of money to political campaigns, many members of the legislature are beholden to this money power. As of this writing, there are four bills in the legislature that would allow the sale of alcohol in Ashe County without the approval of the people. We need to take a stand against this.

Additional goals for 1999-2000 include the following:

A. To promote Christian values in our community,
B. To educate the community about the destructive influences of alcohol in our community,
C. To lobby against state sponsored gambling, and
D. To eliminate alcoholic advertisements in the media.

To obtain these goals, we need the active support of all Christians in the Ashe Baptist Association. We invite all like-minded citizens to join with us in promoting the highest standards of Christian morality in the lives of our people.

Respectively submitted,
Delmas Parker

NOTES

Council on Christian Higher Education

Baptist State Convention of North Carolina
1999

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"N.C. Baptists have been involved in Christian higher education literally since the day the Baptist State Convention (BSC) was born," wrote Dr. Jim Royston, Executive Director-Treasurer, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, for *The Biblical Recorder*.

Dr. Royston's correct. North Carolina Baptists have placed a high priority upon Christian higher education through the years. As a result, a large number of our pastors, staff ministers, and lay-leaders have been educated by one of our Baptist institutions, helping our churches develop as places where the Gospel is treasured and Christ is honored.

Maintaining close ties to our churches and associations is important to our institutions. This is one of the primary missions of the Council on Christian Higher Education. Founded in 1944, the Council seeks to foster good communications between our churches, associations, and institutions of higher education

Divinity schools and centers for congregational growth serve as positive demonstrations of our institutions' desire to enhance the life in our churches and associations. Current and future leaders are being trained through these facilities.

According to the Executive Director of the Council on Christian Higher Education, Dr. Wayne D. Wike, "North Carolina Baptists are fortunate to have administrators and faculty members who are committed to enriching the life of our Convention."

Gifts to the Cooperative Program assist in helping our institutions fulfill their missions. Members from cooperating churches are eligible, as a result, to be considered for scholarships to attend one of our colleges or universities. In addition, North Carolina Baptists who meet the admission requirements for the divinity schools at Campbell and Gardner-Webb Universities are eligible to receive $8,100 grants toward their theological education. Students who choose to attend another divinity school are eligible to receive $3,000 toward their educational expenses. All of these are made possible as a result of gifts presented to the Cooperative Program of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

As Dr. Royston wrote, "Baptist colleges are still a priority of our state Convention. It is my hope and dream that more and more students from our churches will attend our schools, and graduate as leaders for our state and nation, as well as for our churches."

Our colleges and universities share Dr. Royston's hope and dream. They, too, believe graduates from our campuses will make a difference in our state, nation, and Convention.

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ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Report of the Director of Missions

"In Such a Time as This" I am glad to share with you that the Ashe Baptist Association is alive and well!! Souls are being saved , Christians are being challenged and they are responding to the cause of Christ. **"In Such aTime as This"** God is still on the throne and is still in control of all things just as he was in the beginning of time!!

The New Millennium is upon us and we are ready for the challenge because I believe in Phillipians 4:13. "I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me". The churches of the Ashe Baptist Association have been very supportive of the DOM and his wife and this office. We are very thankful for that support. Your prayers are vital, your continued encouragement is special, your willingness to accept us just as we are is comforting and your financial support, has not required that we had to seek additional funding. For all of this we give God the glory and to you a special thanks.

The following is a brief description of my activities during the past year:

- Drove 8,178 miles
- Assisted Hispanic Church
- Assisted Ashe Really Cares
- Assisted Medical Missions
- Assisted Dental Missions
- Maintained Parsonage
- Upgraded computer system
- Prepared 850 Minute Books
- Compiled 200 Book of Reports for Annual Meeting
- Prepared and mailed 600 newsletters monthly
- Conducted radio programs on WKSK weekly
- Maintained Video Library (170 videos for churches to check out)
- Maintained Sunday School and Discipleship Library (to view and check out)
- Maintained equipment for check out (TV, VCR, overhead projector, etcs.)
- Visited 81 times in our churches to preach, teach, do weddings, etcs. (I will be visiting all churches in our association as time allows.)
- Worked on Associational Committees as needed
- Communicated by mail, phone, fax and E-mail as needed
- Worked with: (in county and out of county)
  VBS Clinic, Sunday School Clinic, Key Leadership Conference, North American Mission Board Conference, Youth Conference, Camp Caraway Conference, Baptist State Convention in Cary, Ridgecrest Conference, Asheville Conference, Southern Baptist Convention in Atlanta Ga.
- Assisted With:
  Ministerial Association, Ashe Pregnancy Care Center, School Based Health Center, Partnership for Children and 4-H.

Report of the Director of Missions

Continued

- Sent church announcements to paper weekly

I thank the Lord for the strength and sound mind (although that is debatable) to do the work that God has called me to do. Together we are doing what we cannot do alone. Loving people and praying for people is the number one way of helping people to come to know Christ and to serve Him. (John 13 :34-35) Every church has it's own identity, every church is unique but we all serve the same King of Kings and Lord of Lords , Jesus Christ God's son our Savior! **"In Such a Time as This"** may we follow God into the year 2000.

Respectively Submitted,

Rev. David Blackburn,
Director of Missions

Financial Support from the Churches

Apple Grove	100.00
Bald Mountain	5,100.00
Beaver Creek	1,377.04
Bethel	40.00
Big Flatts	1,280.00
Big Laurel	433.00
Blue Ridge	640.00
Bristol	2,630.06
Buffalo	455.00
Calvary	280.00
Clifton	2,082.51
Farmer Memorial	0.00
Fletcher	7,079.44
Friendly Grove	4,030.00
Friendship	4,268.90
Glendale Springs	2,919.20
Grassy Creek	800.00
Healing Springs	1,546.79
Highlands Community	24.00
Landmark	1,720.00
Laurel Knob	1,724.94
Liberty Grove	2,400.00
Little Helton	232.00
Midway	1,020.00
Mission Home	2,001.65
Mount Olive	700.00
New River	8,656.52
North Beaver	2,444.00
Oak Hill	240.00
Obids	700.00
Old Fields	2,100.00
Orion	2,812.84
Peak Valley	100.00
Phoenix	1,357.13
Pilot Mountain	347.29
Pine Swamp	178.00
Pleasant Home	3,491.13
Pleasant Valley	132.00
Prosperity	0.00
Round Knob	647.04
Sabbath Home	0.00
Three Forks	0.00
Trinity	519.00
Tuckerdale	1,620.00
Wagoner	690.00
Warrensville	948.00
Welcome Home	1,471.76
	$73,339.24

FRUITLAND
Baptist Bible Institute

Route 2, Box 116 • Hendersonville, NC 28792

Fruitland Facts

General Description-Since 1946, Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute has been dedicated to the purpose of training adults called to church related vocations. In the beginning, it was primarily a "preacher's school" for mountain pastors who served small churches without much formal training for the task.

Fruitland grew gradually to become a year-round operation; but its purpose remained constant. Fruitland concentrates on providing tools for practical ministry. The devotional atmosphere provided by dedicated faculty, students and inspiring chapel programs, makes the campus very conducive to study and christian growth. The Institute is owned and operated by the North Carolina Baptist State Convention as an agency of the General Board.

Students-Almost 200 students from five states attend Fruitland with an average age of 35. Approximately half of the students live on campus and the other half commute to campus. About one third of the students are currently serving churches in a staff position.

Campus-The campus is comprised of approximately 27 rolling acres located near Hendersonville, NC, in the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains. The well kept campus is close to the airport and city conveniences, but it is in a rural setting. The Ester Satterfield Building houses the cafeteria and the campus bookstore. The Carl E. Bates Building houses the dormitory for students and apartments for couples. The Crouch building houses the chapel, library and most of the classrooms. Other campus structures include the Davis Prayer Chapel, the guest house for visitors and staff, the president's home, the maintenance shop, and apartments and mobile homes for families.

Faculty-Includes 26 members, all are current or retired practitioners who have over 700 years preaching experience combined. Interaction with students both in and out of the classroom is a priority. The emphasis is on intellectual and spiritual development with a Biblical basis. The head, heart and hands are coupled together to be a force of God.

Admissions-Admission is based on your application, verification from formal and informal sources in regards to conversion, call, lifestyle, as well as references from pastor, friends and your church. Interviews are encouraged and available Monday-Friday when school is in session. Your completed application/references will be reviewed and you will be notified within two weeks whether or not you have been accepted for admission.

Courses-Christian Counseling, Christian Education, Church Administration, Church History, Clinical Pastoral Education, Discipleship, English Composition, English Grammar, Evangelism Ethics, Hermeneutics, Homiletics, Literature, Missions, Music, New Testament, Old Testament, Pastors Leadership Class, Psychology, Reading, Research, Supervised Ministry, Theology, Computers for Ministry Support and Youth Education. A total of one hundred twenty-three credit hours are offered with an Associate Degree of Religion/Church Ministry.

Cost-Tuition is $155 for North Carolina Baptist, $190 for Non-Baptist and out of state students per quarter. Dormitory rooms are $160 and meals are $275 per quarter. Books are an additional cost.

Fruitland.....Where Preaching Is Our Passion

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

August 20, 1999.

HISPANIC MISSION "CRISTO EL SALVADOR

UPDATE - JUNE 1998 TO JUNE 1999.

The Hispanic Mission "Cristo El Salvador" was dedicated in June 1998. Many Pastors and many members of the various churches participated in the dedication. It was a joyful occasion pleasing to our God and for this community and also a historical happening in the Christian Community of Ashe County.

I knew that the undertaking would not be an easy one, but I also know that with God everything is possible.

Pastor Jesus Padilla Nuñez, has done a formidable job and he is doing what The Lord wants him to do. Many things have been asked by the Hispanic Mission, but The Lord has provided what was needed. There is no adjective to describe the help received from The Ashe Baptist Association, as well as all the Churches and their Pastors. I humbly give my thanks to everyone.

The Mission now provides preaching every Sunday and also a Sunday School. The Mission provides family visitations, hospital visits, counselling and all the services that a Mission can provide. It also helps with the needs of the members of the Mission and also to the new families who arrive in our community.

The Mission now has a new air-condition unit, a monitor heater and it has an adequate bathroom facility. It also has enough chairs to seat fifty people.

The Baptist State Association has given to The Ashe Baptist Association a check for $4000.00 dollars to be divided into twelve months beginning in January 2000.

The average weekly attendance is from 28 to 32. The average weekly Tithe is $70.00. Twenty-three (23) members have been saved.

The Hispanic Mission Committee has met several times in 1998 and 1999 to discuss the needs of The Hispanic Mission.

Respectfully submitted,

Enrique R. Sarallegui

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Medical Missions Ministry of Ashe

Annual Report

The migrating migrant clinic found a home in August 1998 when we took up residence in the Hispanic Mission Church We have held clinic sessions on a twice per month basis for the past year. Our hope was that the clinic would be a potential church growing outreach of the Hispanic Church The result was less than optimal; instead of increasing numbers of people served in the clinic, we've actually seen the numbers decline. In late June 1999 we discussed the situation with the church leadership They agreed the clinic was seeing a decreased number of people and that it really wasn't helping the church to grow. As a result, we decided to move again; this time to be centrally based at the offices of Ashe Medical Associates.

We will continue to be in operation two Sundays each month and will be asking individual churches to serve as hosts (in our office). A letter to churches in the community will be sent out in August to request assistance/sponsorship of these clinic sessions. We hope community pastors will be knowledgeable of those people in their own communities that are medically indigent (and not necessarily Hispanic) and require medical care. We hope that many churches will take advantage of this medical assistance and use this service for their own community evangelism/service goals We continue to embrace and ecumenical attitude and are particularly interested in enlisting the assistance of the local Catholic Church.

The bright spot of the year remains the Dental Bus. We have enjoyed repeat visits from Frank and Martha Starns who drive the NC Baptist Men's Dental Bus from Raleigh. We have served over 100 dental patients through MMMA Our leadership feels that even if the medical clinic fails to be a viable service and evangelism tool in our community that the dental services shall continue Recently, Dr Alvin Jenkins and staff have graciously opened their offices for indigent people in need of dental care (again, not exclusively Hispanic) They anticipate offering these valuable services quarterly

The coming year will be an important one in the life of MMMA. We will continue to monitor the utilization of the clinic. Should we continue to see falling utilization, our volunteer base would dry up and the clinic will close The volunteers are all busy people looking for spiritually satisfying opportunities to serve people in Ashe County. We welcome any advice and criticism. We continue to look for opportunities to minister medically and spiritually to our neighbors in need.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory S. Hershner

MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Missions Committee began work on a very important project this past year, almost as soon as the last associational meetings were ended. Out of that meeting came the vision of an outreach ministry which has since been realized, the ARC Center.

Acting upon the desire and approval of the Association, the Missions Committee began laying the groundwork for this new outreach ministry of the Ashe Baptist Association. During the winter months of 1998 and 1999, several brainstorming sessions were held, where the committee sought, with God's help, to define the needs, purposes and the mission statement of the proposed ministry center. Research was done through contact with convention resources, as well as an enlightening exposure trip to the Hale Mission in Elizabethton, Tennessee. The result of these meetings was a consensus for the need and establishment of an outreach ministry that would seek to provide physical, as well as spiritual, support to those citizens of Ashe County who were in need. With a mission statement in hand and a clear agenda in mind, subsequent meetings served to establish the committees that would make the ARC center a reality. At the Executive Committee meeting at Midway Baptist Church, the findings and proposals of the Missions Committee were presented and after in depth discussion, the Executive Committee voted to move forward with the formation and establishment of Ashe Really Cares, as it was later named. The Missions Committee wishes to express their appreciation to all those who have responded with tremendous encouragement, support and involvement.

Recently the Missions Committee was put to work searching for a new office assistant to replace Linda Blevins who has done such a wonderful job in the associational office, especially during the transitional period of our new Director of Missions, David Blackburn. After the examination of numerous resumes and conducting personal interviews with several candidates, the committee is pleased to announce the addition of Mrs. Sherry Severt to the staff of the Ashe Association.

We the members of the Missions Committee look forward to the next opportunities to serve the Lord Jesus Christ and to reach out to our community with the glorious message of His saving grace. We covet your prayers as we all work together for the kingdom of God in this refreshing new spirit of cooperation and evangelistic outreach. God bless you all as you serve Him.

Prayerfully submitted,

Rev. Rick Miller
Missions Committee Chairman

MODERATOR'S REPORT

The Executive Committee met for its four regularly scheduled meetings during the past year at Grassy Creek, Landmark, Midway and Orion Baptist Churches. Fellowship and cooperation have been outstanding. I was unable to attend one meeting, but to the best of my knowledge not one single no vote has been cast this year on any project proposed by our Executive Committee. Praise the Lord!

We saw a year that God provided a home for the Hispanic Church, Ashe Really Cares (our associational home mission) became a reality and is doing very well, our association became incorporated as well as several other worthwhile endeavors.

It is regretful that we have lost one church, Bethel Baptist, from our association. Our prayers are that God will continue to bless them and should they ever choose to reunite with the association, I pray they will not hesitate to let it be known as I feel sure they will be welcomed as family.

I appreciate the dedication of your executive committee members and your pastors who make up and support the Executive Committee. I also very much appreciate the opportunity to serve as your moderator. Sailing is a pleasure on a calm sea.

Please continue to pray that God will lead and direct our association and bless the endeavors we undertake, reward those who step forward to serve and prepare the hearts of our people to willingly accept the tasks He has for us to do.

Respectfully submitted

Jerry Powers, Moderator

Associational Music Committee Report

Music is an important part of all our worship services. This year in our Association we have gotten off to a late start but we are starting a Music Ministry for all churches in our Association. A special Thank You goes out to all who helped put together our Assocational Choir. You are very special people and God has blessed with joy, excitement, fun, and praise and worship to Our Heavenly Father.

This has been a good year but next year we are going to have some great musical times together in our churches. The Word of God says In Ephesians that we are to speak to ourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, sing and making melody in your heart to the Lord.

We are praying to do an Associational Choir Musical, and we would also like to do with all the children in our churches an Associational Children Musical, so please remember us in your prayers this year.

When folks that love the Lord get together and sing, families are encouraged, hearts are blessed, and it helps to lead others to a Saving Knowledge of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

The Associational Office has been very supporting of helping fund this Choir this year and for that we are very thankful. Your money, time, and use of your churches, and your prayers are very much appreciated.

Please help us out by participation when we get ready to form a choir to sing for Our Soon Coming King.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Wayne Osborne, Associational Music Director

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Be it resolved that the One Hundred and Thirteenth Annual Meeting of the Ashe Baptist Association expresses its gratitude to Beaver Creek and to Orion Baptist Churches for hosting the annual meetings and especially to the ladies who worked so hard to prepare the wonderful meals.

Be it further resolved that we appreciate the great work being done by our Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn, Clerk - Linda Blevins, by our moderator; Mr. Jerry Powers, and our Vice Moderator – Mr. Joe Brown.

Also to Mrs. Pat Powers Ashe Really Cares (ARC). We will continue to pray for them as they serve the Lord through the Association.

Furthermore, Be it resolved that as missionary Baptist churches, we will carry out the great commission of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ –"To go into all the world and share the good news of Jesus Christ to all people." Through our association, Baptist State Convention and through our local churches. To support our missions programs at home and around the world.

Furthermore, let it be resolved, that the Bible, the Old and the New Testament is the word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

Furthermore, let it be resolved, that same sex marriages, according to the word of God are an abomination in his sight (Romans 1:26-36). God will judge a people, a nation and a church that condone/accept same sex marriages, or to perform them. God loves the sinner, but not the sin. Let us be prayerful for those churches that have committed this great sin. That they repent and turn back to God, and the teaching of His Holy Word, The Bible

Finally, be it resolved that we will continue to constantly pray for the Ashe Baptist Association, our Baptist State Convention, and our sister churches, as we work together to spread the message of our Lord to the uttermost parts of the earth.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. David L. Lambert, Chairman

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

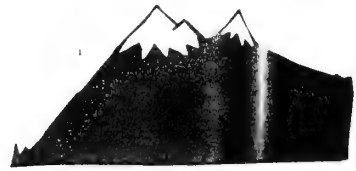
TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS:		
On hand July 1, 1998	44,436.66	
Ashe Really Cares	5,100.51	
Hispanic Missions	11,121.21	
Home Missions	55,194.23	
Interest Income	1,415.59	
Reimbursed Minute Books (Income includes 2 years books)	6,310.60	
Sales Tax Refund	643.84	
State Missions Offering	715.79	
Undesignated Contributions	50.00	
WMU Transfer	309.96	
BALANCE ON HAND AND RECEIVED		125,298.39
DISBURSEMENTS:		
ACTeam	802.46	
Ashe Really Cares	9,089.04	
Associational Calendar	400.00	
Automobile Expense (Clerk/Treasurer)	100.00	
Bank Charges	20.70	
Director of Missions-Wages	35,000.00	
Discipleship Training	340.78	
Evangelism	448.98	
Hispanic Minister-House rental	4,800.00	
Hispanic Minister-Wages	7,800.00	
Hispanic Minister-Taxes	504.77	
Hispanic Ministry-Expenses	2,484.71	
Key Leadership (Total expenses of $221.00 less private $)	150.00	
Legal Fees (incorporation fees-no charge by Attorney)	74.00	
Minute Books (expenses include two years books)	5,546.55	
Office Equipment (Total expenses of $2761.27 less private $)	717.27	
Postage/Mailing	1,788.73	
Printing & Supplies	1,750.76	
Repairs & Maintenance (Includes Service Agreement)	2,784.73	
Secretarial Help	8,320.00	
Summer Camp Picnic Shelter	3,500.00	
Taxes	492.36	
Treasurer/Clerk	1,200.00	
Vacation Bible School	461.22	
Youth Council	16.08	
TOTAL AMOUNT PAID OUT		88,593.14
Balance on hand June 30, 1999		$36,705.25

VBS 1999

Mount Extreme: The Ultimate Good News Challenge

"Climbing to New Heights with Jesus"



Ve give praise to God for another fantastic year of Vacation Bible School! Reports are ontinuing to come in of the great work that God has done through VBS ministry in Ashe ounty. Our prayer is that your church was able to meet "The Ultimate Good News hallenge" and help children, youth, and adults "climb to new heights with Jesus!"

cannot imagine a more exciting week in the life of a church than the week of Vacation ible School. A peek into most churches during VBS would reveal classrooms verflowing with visitors, teachers full of enthusiasm, songs of praise floating down the allways, shouts of laughter coming from the playground, and a contagious smile on veryone you see. During VBS, people of all ages eagerly arrive at church with a sense anticipation as they prepare to hear age-old Bible stories told in new and innovative ays. VBS is about the thrill of watching a young child learn about Jesus for the first me or having the amazing privilege of leading someone to a saving knowledge of our ord and Savior Jesus Christ. The week of VBS is truly unforgettable, but our challenge to keep the excitement of VBS alive throughout the year.

BS is an evangelistic tool. It is a starting point designed to draw people into the nurch so that they can learn about the good news of Jesus Christ. But the work of the nurch does not stop once the week of VBS is over. It is the weeks and months llowing VBS that require even more effort from the church body. Prospects must be sited, new Christians must be discipled, and the spirit of cooperation and unity that xists during VBS must be applied to other church ministries.

Ve praise God for all that He has accomplished in VBS this year and we thank Him for ach of you that gave of your time and talents to participate in this ministry. Our prayer ow is that each of us will realize that the work has only just begun. Join with us in raying for each church as they go out and minister to those who were drawn in during BS. Pray that we will not forget those who came to Jesus this summer, and that we ill be burdened with the desire to help them grow in Christ. Pray that throughout the ear we will actively seek out those who need Jesus in our communities and continue to e innovative in finding ways to lead them to the Lord.

lay God bless each of you in your continued efforts to help the people in ou County nd the love of Jesus.

espectfully submitted,

my D. Rexrode
ssociational VBS Director

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace, that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!" Isaiah 52:7

We praise God for the beautiful servants He sent to be a part of the 1999 Associational VBS team. The following team members faithfully gave of their time and talents to help spread the good news of Jesus by providing training workshops for our VBS directors and teachers:

Younger/Middle Preschool	Amanda Weaver	Friendship
Older Preschool	Nancy Watson	Trinity
Younger Children	Heather Vannoy	Orion
Middle Children	Vickie Young	Pleasant Home
Older Children	Emma Cox	Trinity
Youth	Teshia Dillard	Laurel Knob
Adults	Linda Blackburn	Healing Springs
Music	Tonya Halsey	Friendship
Crafts	Angel Brewer	Friendship
	Linda Clark	Midway
	Alecia Giles	Friendship

1999 VBS REPORT

VBS information has been received from the churches listed below. We would like to have a completed VBS report from every church in the Association if possible.

Church Name	Total Enrollment	Decisions to Accept Christ	VBS Mission Offering
Bald Mountain	194	2	No Report
Bristol	103	14	$210.00
Buffalo	65	2	$74.22
Calvary	52	0	$104.00
Clifton	135	11	$0.00
Fletcher Memorial	107	0	$205.07
Friendly Grove	105	6	$180.68
Friendship	181	1	$256.52
Healing Springs	62	0	$106.45
Laurel Knob	40	0	$32.00
Little Helton	29	0	$64.00
Mt. Olive	57	0	$350.00
North Beaver	106	9	$604.00
Old Fields	57	0	$101.24
Orion	52	0	$0.00
Phoenix	92	0	$172.00
Pleasant Home	45	0	$160.00
Round Knob	31	0	$85.27
Trinity	147	22	$700.0
Tuckerdale	91	0	$268.13
[illegible]goner	33	0	$75.00
[illegible]come Home	89	6	$220.93
[illegible]tals to Date	**1873**	**73**	**$3969.51**

W.M.U. Report

This past year saw a renewed effort to form an Associational WMU Organization in the Ashe Baptist Association. At a called meeting with WMU directors/members from the different churches, all churches attending expressed a desire to be part of an associational –wide organization.

An organizational meeting was held at Friendship Baptist Church and several ideas were forthcoming from that meeting. It was the desire of those present to host a meeting and invite a missionary to speak to us. Plans are underway for that meeting. It was also the desire of the group to look at an annual meeting for WMU.

I attended Key Leadership at Ridgecrest in May and organized a WMU Conference in the Association after the Ashe Baptist Association Key Leadership meeting in June. Jan High, Mission Education Consultant from Cary, North Carolina conducted the workshop and was able to give us a general look at WMU in North Carolina at the present time. She encouraged our hearts in sharing with us what a vital role WMU plays in our churches and in the promotion of missions around the world.

As the nineteenth century comes to a close and a new century begins, women in our Baptist churches can play a vital role in making sure needs are meet at home and around the world. Many new ministries have evolved in our Association or supported by the association and churches need to be informed about these ministries and encouraged to become a part of this great commission coming to pass right in front of our eyes. Truly the fields are ripe unto the harvest and labors are needed now.

The theme for WMU in 1999-2000 is **"Transformed, Take the Stand"**. The watchword is "Pray for me that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly too make known the mystery of the gospel"(Eph. 6:19). Truly there is a great task in front of us and it will take everyone working together to rise to the task. As I have found out this year I can not tackle this task alone. I thank God for you that have committed to help with a WMU for our association and I will be calling upon you to help. I also need others who have a desire to be a part of this great work. I am planning to form a team to direct the work of the Associational WMU. If you are willing to help and have not already notified me know, please let David or myself know that you will help.

As our theme says "Grow in Spiritual Power and Go Make Disciples of All People".

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Blackburn, WMU Director

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONAL YOUTH COUNCIL

What an exciting year this has been for the Youth Council! The Youth Leaders Training Day that was held in April was a great learning time for all that attended. God blessed us with many great teachers and I know the experience will continue to bless this county through our church's youth classes.

I would like to thank the members of the council for their concern for the youth in the county and for their time and efforts. A special thanks goes to Hal Melton of the State Baptist Convention for all his help and to Friendship Baptist Church for the use of their facilities.

Pray that the council will always seek God's will in all that we do and remember that our youth are the future of our churches.

Respectfully submitted,

Karlton Yearick, Chairman

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
of the Ashe Baptist Association

The Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association met in conference at the Midway Baptist Church on October 1, 1998 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Brother Jerry Powers. The congregation then sang "Standing on the Promises" led by Brother Don Houck and accompanied by Rev. Wayne Osborne. Rev. Bill Ballou, interim pastor of Midway Baptist Church, welcomed everyone and read the devotion from Psalm 466:1-11. He then led prayer.

Mrs. Linda Blevins, clerk, read the roll call of the churches with the following twenty-four churches represented: Beaver Creek, Big Flatts, Blue Ridge, Bristol, Clifton, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Glendale Springs, Grassy Creek, Healing Springs, Landmark, Midway, Mission Home, New River, North Beaver, Old Fields, Orion, Phoenix, Pleasant Home, Round Knob, Trinity, Tuckerdale, Wagoner and Warrensville Baptist Churches.

The Treasurer's report was then approved by a motion from Rev. Wayne Osborne and seconded by Rev. Larry Powers. Motion approved.

Missions Committee report was given by Rev. Rick Miller, Chairman, concerning the Community Care Center. He read the following letter and then took questions and comments:

Dear friends in Christ,

I am sure that the renewed spirit of cooperation and missionary desire at our recent associational meeting was evident to all. How pleasing it must be to our Father to see His children dwelling in unity and seeking to work together to fulfill the church's mandate to enlighten, a dark and dying world.

It was in this same spirit that the members of the Missions Committee met with Rev. David Blackburn, our Director of Missions this past Monday evening to prayerfully discuss the expression of interest shown in a Christian care center for our area. The proposed center would function as a resource center to address the immediate physical needs of people in the Ashe area, as well as, provide spiritual counseling. With this agenda in hand, we sought to lay the groundwork for the Ashe Association to establish such a missions outreach center.

The following observations and recommendations came out of the aforementioned meeting and are the fruits of a very cooperative and Spirit-led discussion. They are prayerfully submitted for consideration and further action to the Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association.

We believe:

- There is a definite need in the Ashe area for a distinctively Christian ministry to meet the basic physical needs of both individuals and families who for some reason or another, find themselves in distress.
- This mission effort would in no way be an attempt to supplant the benevolent activities of individual churches or other programs or organizations in the area. On the contrary, it
- would benefit all to work together whenever possible and to coordinate information and services to provide the most comprehensive opportunities for those in need.

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- This should be a truly missionary endeavor whereby people are afforded a real opportunity to hear the wonderful message of the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore it would be essential to provide the appropriate training for the volunteer staff.

- This mission should be predominantly led and operated by the lay persons in our association and thereby providing the people of God many productive opportunities to exercise the diverse spiritual gifts they possess.

- A board of directors or steering committee should be established to provide the initial leadership for the mission and to actively promote the development of its programs and the distribution of the services it would provide.

- The mission should at the outset seek to provide very basic needs, such as non-perishable foods and clean, usable clothing. It would serve as a clearing house for the services which are available through various individuals and organizations in the community. Its intents and purposes would be best served by conducting a few programs in a quality way while maintaining a visionary outlook and a confidence in an Almighty God with whom there are no impossibilities.

- Upon the concurrence and adoption of such a mission project, by the Executive Committee and/or the Ashe Baptist Association as a whole, efforts should be made to locate and procure an adequate physical site for the mission's operations.

We realize that no effort of this magnitude can be successful without a lot of fervent prayer, loving Christian involvement and the wisdom and supply of an all powerful God. Fortunately, we believe that we have all the ingredients necessary for God to do a great and mighty work in our midst, here in our local association. There is no reservation or doubt in our minds that the people of the Ashe Baptist Association and greater Ashe county will respond in a tremendous way to this opportunity to help their neighbors in a time of need.

Recently necklaces, key chains and T-shirts have been adorned with the letters 'W.W.J.D.," which stand for a guiding question, " What would Jesus do?" The idea being that, we as believers should always examine our lives and actions and use the measuring stick of Christ's life to govern our own. So then, let us ask ourselves, when others in our community are hungry, cold, heartbroken and enslaved by sin, "What will we do?"

On behalf of the Missions Committee, we would like to thank you for your prayers for us as we met and considered this issue and would like to assure the members of the Association of our continued support and prayers for all the ministries the Association is involved in. God bless you.

Prayerfully submitted,

Rev. Rick Miller
Chairman, Missions Committee

Moderator asked for any old business. The Missions Committee made a motion to move forward with the Community Mission. The motion carries. There was no other old business.

The minutes of the Annual Associational meeting were presented for approval. The was one change to the minutes. Page 2, paragraph 4 of the motion made by Rev. Jim Thompson should read: "This motion, seconded by Rev. Steve Witherspoon, could not be voted on....." Motion was made by Brother Tim Moser to accept the minutes with this correction. Motion seconded by Brother Charles Sevett. Motion carries.

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At this time Mrs. Peggy Hoefl, director of the Ashe Pregnancy Care Center, spoke concerning the needs they have and the work they are accomplishing. It is her desire to come to each church and speak to them about their needs.

The Moderator then asked for any new business. The moderator asked for churches to host the Executive Committee Meetings for the next year. The churches volunteering are as follows: Orion for January 7, 1999, Grassy Creek for April 1, 1999, Landmark for July 1, 1999 and Blue Ridge for October 7, 1999.

The Moderator then asked about dedications for the 1998-99 Minute Book. Rev. Larry Powers recommended Rev. Bill Ballou for the "In Honor of". Approval was unanimous. Brother Don Houck recommended Rev. Frank Tucker for the "In Memory of". Approval was also unanimous.

There was no other new business. Rev. Wayne Osborne made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Brother Tim Moser seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned with altar prayer led by Rev. Gary Watson.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda K. Blevins, Clerk

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
of the Ashe Baptist Association

The Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association met in conference at Orion Baptist Church on January 21, 1999 at 7:00 P M

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Brother Jerry Powers Rev Billy Joe Blevins, pastor of Bristol Baptist Church, led in prayer. The congregation sang "When We Walk with the Lord" led by Rev. Rick Miller and accompanied by Rev. Jack Miller.

The Moderator then recognized and welcomed new pastors. Brother Don Goodman introduced Rev. Keith Casey as the new pastor of Midway Baptist Church.

Rev Rick Miller, pastor of Orion Baptist Church, welcomed everyone and read the devotion from Romans 8:35-39 "Nobody Can Separate Us from the Love of God" and read the first verse of "I Am His and He Is Mine."

Mrs. Linda Blevins, Clerk, read the roll call of the churches with the following 22 churches represented: Bald Mountain, Beaver Creek, Bristol Buffalo, Clifton, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Healing Springs, Landmark, Laurel Knob, Midway, Mission Home, Mount Olive, North Beaver, Old Fields, Orion, Pine Swamp, Pleasant Home, Round Knob, Tuckerdale, Warrensville and Welcome Home.

The Moderator moved the presentation of the minutes to later in the meeting in order to give everyone time to read them.

Rev David Blackburn, Director of Missions, requested prayer for the family of Edna Gilley due to her death.

The Director of Missions gave a report on the ARC (Ashe Really Cares) Center. He asked the Association to tithe the balance in the treasury to the ARC Center. The amount of the tithe would be $3,988 53. The next meeting of the ARC Center committees is scheduled for January 25th at North Beaver beginning at 7:00 p.m

The Moderator gave a report on the Association's need to incorporate. He stated that attorneys, Vannoy & Reeves, would assist churches to incorporate. They might help the Association. We would be responsible for paying filing fees Using the State Convention to help with incorporation was more expensive. He stated that each church should incorporate. Comments were made by the DOM and there was a time for questions and answers.

Rev. Lawrence Goodman gave a report on the Medical Missions Ministry This ministry is offered to all people who need it upon recommendation by their pastor. The next date will be Sunday, January 24, 1999 at 3:00 p.m., and every 2nd and 4th Sunday at 3:00 p m. thereafter. Lab work, medication and tests will be available at mimmal or no charge to the recipient. The Doctors' time is donated and sample medications are used when available.

Preacher David Blackburn requested prayer for the State Convention in their time of reorganizing. The offices were closed this week while they worked on this.

The Moderator asked for old business and there was none.

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The Moderator then asked for new business and Rev. Lawrence Goodman made a motion to tithe balance in the treasury to the ARC Center. Rev. Ken Furches seconded the motion. Motion carries

Rev, Rick Miller made a motion to incorporate the Association. Brother Tim Moser seconded the motion and motion carries. Rev. David Blackburn is to get the information needed to the attorney.

The minutes of the last Executive Meeting were presented for approval with the following corrections to be made: In the second paragraph the minutes have Brother Don Houck as leading the hymn. This should read: Brother Don Goodman. Also in the same paragraph the devotion should read: Psalm 66:1-11 instead of Psalm 466:1-11. On page three in the third paragraph the name should be Brother Don Goodman instead of Brother Don Houck. Motion was made by Rev. Rick Miller to accept the minutes with these correction and motion seconded by Brother Fred Walters. Motion carries.

The Treasurer's report was approved by a motion from Brother Colonel Blevins and seconded by Brother Charles Severt. Motion approved.

Brother Fred Walters asked about a Board of Directors and Officers of the Corporation. Brother Colonel Blevins made a motion to allow the Trustees to be the Board of Directors and they would elect their officers themselves. Rev. Jack Miller seconded the motion. Motion carries.

There was no other new business. Brother Fred Walters made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Brother John Richardson seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned with altar prayer led by Rev. Rick Cornejo

Respectfully submitted,

Linda K. Blevins, Clerk

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of the Ashe Baptist Association

The Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association met in conference at Grassy Creek Baptist Church on April 1, 1999 at 7:00 p.m.

In the absence of the Moderator and Vice Moderator the meeting was called to order by the Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn, who acted as Moderator.

The congregation sang "Amazing Grace" led by Dwayne Zi
mmer and accompanied by Rev. Jack Miller. Rev. John Huffman, Pastor of Grassy Creek Church, led the welcome, devotion and prayer. The scripture was taken from Acts 2:40-47.

Roll call of the churches was then taken by the clerk, Linda Blevins, with the following 17 churches attending: Big Flatts, Bristol, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Grassy Creek, Healing Springs, Mission Home, Mount Olive, New River, North Beaver, Old Fields, Phoenix, Pleasant Home, Round Knob, Trinity, Tuckerdale and Welcome Home.

The minutes were read individually. Rev. Charles McCoy moved that the minutes be approved as typed. Charles Severt seconded motion and motion carries.

The treasurer's report was read individually. Rev. Jim Thompson moved that the minutes be approved as typed. Rev. Gary Watson seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Committee reports were then given.

Incorporation status: Ashe Baptist Association is incorporated as of February 1999.

Rev. David Blackburn and Mrs. Pat Powers, Director, gave the ARC Report. The Baptist State Convention donated desks, credenzas, computer, monitor, coat rack and chairs. Storage shelves were purchased from Ingles Market. A counseling room and an office have been set up. The rent on the facility is $300 per month. The next meeting is scheduled for April 5, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. at Laurel Knob Baptist Church.

Rev. John Huffman gave the report for the Camp Committee. He stated that they had made a list of things needing to be done and have completed the following: Driveway repairs ($700 for gravel), ditch lines cleared, limbs cleared out, screens and locks for windows, painted bathrooms, gutters were cleaned. A new sign is being built. New basketball nets and new bases were added. An electrician gave them an estimate of $650 to repair heaters and electrical lines. The committee approved this amount. The Ray Minton cabin needs a new roof. Two additional picnic tables are needed. A new picnic shelter is needed. The committee got estimates on the cost of two different sized buildings: 18' x 30' would cost $4061 and 24' x 24' would cost $4053. The Camp needs an additional $3500 to complete the work.

Rev. Jim Ketner gave a report for the Nominating Committee. He stated that the people being replaced asked to be removed from their position because they weren't spending enough time. A sheet was passed out to everyone with the Committee's nominations.

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The Moderator then asked for any old business. There was no old business.

Under new business the Nominating Committee submitted the following names for the listed positions in accordance to Article V: Section 7 of the Constitution and By-Laws:

Associational Clerk - Mrs. Linda Blevins
Brotherhood Director - Mr. Fred Walters
Discipleship Training Director - Mr. Glenn A. Miller
Evangelism Chairperson - Rev. Dayton Roten
Moderator - Mr. Jerry Powers
Music Director - Rev. Wayne Osborne
Seminary Extension Director - Rev. Ronnie McMillan
Sunday School Director - Rev. Jim Ketner
WMU Director - Mrs. Linda Blackburn
Youth Director - Mr. Karlton Yearick

There were no nominations from the floor. All nominations accepted, motion carries.

Rev. Charles McCoy made the motion to give the Campground $3500 from the general fund to help on the picnic shelter. Rev. Jim Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Mr. Fred Walters made a motion to ask the churches to build the picnic shelter at the campground. Mr. Colonel Blevins seconded this motion. Motion approved. Mr. Fred Walters, Brotherhood Director, will contact each church to get help with this project.

Rev. David Blackburn informed everyone that Beaver Creek Church would host the Friday session of the Annual Meeting.

Mr. Charles Severt moved that the meeting be adjourned. Rev. Jack Miller seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned with altar prayer led by Rev. Charles McCoy and ended by Mr. Charles Severt.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda K. Blevins
Clerk

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Of the Ashe Baptist Association

The Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association met in conference at Landmark Baptist Church on July 1, 1999 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Brother Jerry Powers. The congregation then sang "At Calvary" accompanied by Rev. Wayne Osborne. Rev. Ronnie McMillan, pastor of Landmark Baptist Church, welcomed everyone and read the devotion from Acts 18:24-28 and then led in prayer.

Mrs. Linda Blevins, clerk, read the roll call of the churches with the following eighteen churches represented: Beaver Creek, Buffalo, Clifton, Fletcher Memorial, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Grassy Creek, Healing Springs, Landmark, Mission Home, North Beaver, Old Fields, Orion, Phoenix, Pleasant Home, Trinity, Tuckerdale, and Warrensville Baptist Churches.

The Moderator then asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes as printed. There were none. Rev. Wayne Osborne moved that the minutes be approved. Rev. Rick Miller seconded this. Minutes were approved.

The Treasurer's report was then approved, as printed, by a motion from Rev. Wayne Osborne and a second by Rev. Ronnie McMillan. Motion carries.

The Committee reports were then given as follows: Rev. David Blackburn, Director of Missions gave reports for the ARC (Ashe Really Cares), Hispanic information, Medical Missions and North Carolina Mission Board. In regard to the ARC, the North American Mission Board has given two different checks in the amounts of $3,000 and $6,000. The Medical Mission wants to expand to reach anyone who needs to see a doctor and cannot afford to do so. Their hours are 3:00-6:00 p.m. on the second and fourth Sundays of each month at the Ashe Medical Associates building next to Ashe Memorial Hospital. Concerning the Hispanic Mission, it was stated that we had received $4,000 from the Foreign Mission Board. (In correction, this amount has not yet been sent but it has been earmarked to be sent at a rate of $333.33 per month upon completion of all pertinent paper work for Rev. Jesus Padilla.)

The Moderator thanked the two churches that agreed to host the Annual Association Meetings. The churches will be Beaver Creek Baptist Church on Friday, August 20, 1999 and Orion Baptist on Saturday, August 21, 1999.

Rev. Jim Ketner gave a report for the Nominating Committee. He stated that no one had refused nomination. He added that Mrs. Melissa Goodman, Chairperson of the Finance Committee would probably be unable to attend the annual meetings due to her baby being due just prior to the meetings. He asked that Mr. Bob Furches be added to the committee if needed to help fill in for Mrs. Goodman.

The Director of Missions then read a letter from Bethel Baptist Church stating that they had voted to withdraw from the Association. He also related to the churches that Linda

Blevins had resigned as secretary for the Association Office. He asked that applications be taken and reviewed by the Missions Committee and that they would give their recommendation to him for the person to be hired for this position. At this time Mrs. Peggy Powers and Mr. Darwin Wolfe have agreed to help in the office until a secretary can be found.

Upon completion of reports the Moderator asked if there was any old business. Brother Fred Walters gave an update on the status of the new picnic shelter for the Ashe Baptist Campground. The floor has been poured, building is framed and they have scheduled a workday on July 10, 1999 at 8:00 a.m. to try to complete the building.

The Moderator asked for any new business at this time. The first order of new business was to vote on the letter of withdrawal from the Association by Bethel Baptist Church. It was moved by Rev. Wayne Osborne and seconded by Brother Colonel Blevins to allow them to withdraw in fellowship. Motion carried. Also it was moved that the Director of Missions draft a letter to Bethel Baptist Church with love and regrets to them. The motion was made by Rev. Jim Thompson and seconded by Rev. Wayne Osborne. Motion carries.

Second order of new business was a motion made by Rev. Jack Miller and seconded by Rev. Rick Miller to allow the Missions Committee and the Director of Missions to hire a new secretary for the Association Office. Motion carried.

Third order of new business was to include Brother Bob Furches on the Budget and Finance Committee. This motion was made by Rev. Jim Ketner and seconded by Rev. Wayne Osborne. Motion approved.

At this point Rev. David Blackburn announced the awarding of the "Good Shepherd Award" from the Association of Baptists to Rev. Jim Ketner. The award and certificate were given to Brother Jim. The Director of Missions also told of a financial and prayer need by Rev. Worth Kimberlin that had been brought to his attention by Rev. Kimberlin's daughter, Mrs. Ann Eldreth. No motions or actions were taken concerning this matter.

Fourth order of new business was for the Hispanic and the ARC Committees to be made a part of the Association Committees. Rev. Jim Thompson made this motion and Brother Fred Walters seconded it. Motion carries.

The Moderator then asked for any other new business. There was no other new business.

Brother Fred Walters moved to adjourn the meeting. Brother Clifton Poe seconded the motion. The Moderator, Brother Jerry Powers, adjourned the meeting with prayer around the altar led by Rev. Rick Miller.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda K Blevins, Clerk

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION
BEAVER CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
Friday Afternoon, August 20, 1999

Call to Order by Moderator, Mr. Jerry Powers

"I Love to Tell the Story", Congregation Led by Rev. David Blackburn/ Accompanied by Mrs. Sherry Severt

Welcome/Devotion from Psalm 103 and prayer by Rev. Johnny Goodman Pastor, Beaver Creek Baptist Church

Rules of Order read Moderator, Mr. Jerry Powers

Seating of Messengers Mrs. Linda K. Blevins

Adoption of Order of Business with the following two changes: requested by the Moderator to move the Congregational Hymn scheduled at 3:15 p.m. to 3:40 p.m. and to move the Executive Committee report to the Saturday session. Rev. Rick Miller moved to accept and make these changes. Rev. John Goodman seconded motion. Motion carries.

Recognition of Visitors: Rev. Wiley & Mrs. Geneva Faw, Foreign Missionaries welcomed by Moderator, Mr. Jerry Powers

Recognition of New Pastors by Moderator, Mr. Jerry Powers with the following: Rev. Darien South, Pleasant Valley; Rev. Kershaw Getty, Liberty Grove; Rev. Lonnie Jones, Welcome Home; Rev. Jeff Vogler, Fletcher Memorial; Rev. Jack Pugh, Round Knob; Rev. Jerry Francis, Friendly Grove; Rev. Keith Casey, Midway and Rev. Mark Davis as Bald Mountain's Youth Pastor.

Roll Call of the Churches by Associational Clerk, Mrs. Linda Blevins with the following thirty-six churches in represented: Bald Mountain, Beaver Creek, Big Flatts, Bristol, Buffalo, Calvary, Clifton, Fletcher Memorial, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Grassy Creek, Healing Springs, Landmark, Laurel Knob, Liberty Grove, Midway, Mission Home, Mount Olive, New River, North Beaver, Oak Hill, Obids, Old Fields, Orion, Peak Valley, Phoenix, Pilot Mountain, Pine Swamp, Pleasant Home, Pleasant Valley, Round Knob, Trinity, Tuckerdale, Wagoner, Warrensville and Welcome Home. The Hispanic Baptist Mission was also represented.

Committee Appointments by Moderator:

American Bible Society	Mr. Don Goodman
Baptist Children's Homes	Mrs. JoAnne Goodman
Baptist Foundation	Rev. Kershaw Getty
Baptist Hospital	Mr. Kyle Ball
Baptist Retirement Homes	Mr. Robert D. Neaves
Biblical Recorder	Rev. Lawrence Goodman
Christian Education	Rev. Larry Powers
Foreign Missions	Rev. Jim Rash
Home Missions	Fred Walters
Pastor's Salary and Retirement	Rev. Tom Graybeal
Southern Baptist Annuity	Rev. Keith Casey
State Missions	Rev. Wayne Jones
Temperance and Public Morals	Mr. Delmas Parker

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BEAVER CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
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Resolutions Committee: Chairman Rev. David Lambert, Mrs. Deanna Sebastian, and Rev. Mike Hamby

Place/Preacher Committee: Chairman Mrs. Kathleen Turnmire, Rev. Lonnie Carpenter, and Mr. Larry Greer

History of Beaver Creek Baptist Church — Mrs. Angie G. Miller

Moderator then recognized and welcomed Mrs. E.Z. (Virginia) Sexton. Mrs. Sexton has attended more than 70 annual meetings. The Moderator then shared that Mr. Clifford Lindsey, Warrensville Baptist Church, passed away on Tuesday from injuries sustained in a car accident. A moment of silence was observed in honor and memory of Mr. Lindsey. Prayer request was made for the young man who was also involved in the accident.

"When We All Get to Heaven", Congregation — Led by Mr. Dwayne Zimmer
Accompanied by Mrs. Sherry Severt

Message by Rev. Chuck Call, Pastor, Clifton Baptist Church with scripture from II Timothy 3:1-5, Psalm 131:1. Closed with altar prayer by Ministers present and then the congregation joined hands and prayed.

Miscellaneous Business
Election of Organizational Officers and Administrative Committees per Nominating Committee's written slate of nominees as printed in this minute book on pages 76-79. There were no nominations from the floor. Mr. Bill Gentry made the motion to adopt the nominations as printed. Rev. Lawrence Goodman seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Treasurer's Report was read by Mrs. Linda Blevins, Treasurer. Mr. Hank Saralegui moved to accept the report as printed. Rev. John Goodman seconded the motion. The Treasurers Report was approved.

Budget Report — Mrs. Melissa Goodman

"Rescue the Perishing", Congregation — Led by Mr. Dwayne Zimmer
Accompanied by Mrs. Sherry Severt

Rev. Lawrence Goodman informed the Association of some problems that Jesus Padilla, Jr. was having getting into college. Due to the slowness of the paperwork for the Visas the college considers Junior as a nonresident. Rev. Goodman asked that the Association consider setting up an educational fund. He made the motion to receive an offering at this time to help with this expense. Rev. Rick Miller seconded the motion. Motion carries. Offering was collected with the total of $651.00 given.

Reports

Baptist Children's Homes — Rev. C. F. McDowell

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N.C. Baptist Hospital	Dr. Jim Murphy
Gardner-Webb University	Rev. Bruce Rabon
Fruitland Bible Institute	Rev. Todd Edmiston
State Missions	Rev. Joe David Fore
Foreign Missions	Rev. Phil Billings
Baptist Foundation	Rev. Clay Warf
Director of Missions Report	Rev. David Blackburn

"Climbing Mount Extreme & Let us Pray" by the Firm Believers in Christ with Tanya Halsey and Mark Rexrode.

Annual Message (Acts 1:6-8) — Rev. Wiley Faw, Missionary (33 years in Nigeria)

Adjourned for evening meal after Rev. Johnny Goodman asked the blessing

Called to order for evening session by Vice Moderator, Mr. Joe Brown
(Thanked Beaver Creek for hosting and feeding everyone)

"At the Cross" — Led and accompanied by Rev. Wayne Osborne

Scripture and Prayer (Isaiah 40:28-31) — Rev. Jerry Francis, Pastor, Friendly Grove

"I'm Getting Ready", "Let's Have Revival", Medley — Associational Choir, Led by Rev. Wayne Osborne

Mission Sermon (Acts 13:1-12) by Rev. Dayton Roten, Pastor, Phoenix Baptist Church. "On mission for God being led by the Holy Spirit."

Mission Reports

ARC	Mrs. Pat Powers
Medical Missions	Rev. Lawrence Goodman
Hispanic Ministry	Mr. Hank Saralegui
WMU (Women's Missionary Union)	Mrs. Linda Blackburn
Brotherhood	Mr. Fred Walters

"Alleluia" (Congregation) — Led by Mr. Dwayne Zimmer

Reports

Youth Council Report	Mr. Karlton Yearick
Vacation Bible School	Mrs. Amy Rexrode
Christian Action League	Mr. Delmas Parker
Ashe Pregnancy Center	Mrs. Kitty Lawrence/Mrs. Peggy Hoefl
Appalachian State University-Baptist Student Union	Mr. Chris Gambill

Benediction — Rev. Johnny Goodman

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION
ORION BAPTIST CHURCH
Saturday Morning, August 21, 1999

Called to Order by — Moderator, Mr. Jerry Powers

"Because He Lives", Congregation — Led by Mr. Dwayne Zimmer

Welcome and Devotion (1Corinthians 1:26-31) — Rev. Rick Miller
Pastor, Orion Baptist Church
Rev. Miller thanked Beaver Creek for hosting the meeting on Friday and for doing such a good job. He closed with prayer.

Roll of the Churches by Mrs. Linda Blevins with the following 32 churches represented: Bald Mountain, Beaver Creek, Big Flatts, Bristol, Buffalo, Clifton, Fletcher Memorial, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Glendale Springs, Grassy Creek, Healing Springs, Landmark, Laurel Knob, Liberty Grove, Midway, Mission Home, Mount Olive, New River, North Beaver, Oak Hill, Obids, Orion, Phoenix, Pilot Mountain, Pine Swamp, Pleasant Home, Pleasant Valley, Round Knob, Trinity, Tuckerdale and Wagoner. Also represented was the Hispanic Baptist Mission.

Good Shepherd Award — Presented to Rev. Jim Ketner

History of Orion Baptist Church — Mrs. Paula Miller

"It is Finished", "The Old Rugged Cross", "When He Reached Down His Hand" sung by Rev. Rick Miller

Message (1Samuel 4:1-11, 2:12) by Rev. Rick Cornejo, Pastor, Pleasant Home Baptist Church. Gave an invitation for the lost to come and be saved.

Reports
Moderator's Report — Mr. Jerry Powers
Church Music (Rev. David Blackburn spoke on behalf of Rev. Wayne Osborne who was at the funeral for Mr. Clifford Lindsey. He thanked all those who supported the Association Choir and Rev. Osborne for his work
Sunday School — Rev. Kim Ketner
Historian — Rev. Bill Ballou
Baptist Campground — Rev. David Blackburn

"Amazing Grace" led by Mr. Dwayne Zimmer. An offering was received for Ashe Really Cares in the amount of $387.76.

Missions Committee Report — Rev. Rick Miller

Business Session — Moderator, Mr. Jerry Powers
Adoption of Associational Budget by a motion from Rev. Lawrence Goodman and seconded by Rev. Johnny Goodman. Motion carries to adopt the Budget as printed.

The Moderator then asked for nominations for dedications in the minute book. Rev. Charles McCoy moved and Mr. Dwayne Zimmer seconded to remember Rev. John Davis. Rev. Jim Ketner moved and Rev. Rick Miller seconded to remember Mrs. Edna Gilley. Mr. Dwayne Zimmer moved and Mr. Dwight Taylor

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seconded to remember Mr. Grover Marsh. The representatives voted to honor all three of these "In Memory of". It was moved by Rev. Rick Miller and seconded by Rev. Johnny Goodman to honor Mrs. E.Z. (Virginia) Sexton as the "In Honor of" section. Motion carried.

Resolutions Committee report was read by Rev. David Blackburn
It was moved by Rev. Allen Combs and seconded by Mr. Dwight Taylor to accept the resolutions made by the committee. Motion carried.

Mr. Joe Miller was then allowed to read a resolution to be brought to Congressman Rick Ballenger in the form of a bill as follows:

Columbine Bill

This bill is to deal with crime involving weapons in our schools. All violators are to be prosecuted as adults with mandatory prosecution and mandatory sentencing.

1) Lethal weapons on school property.
- A) Knives
- B) Firearms
- C) Explosives *i.e. combustible bombs, concussion bombs, shrapnel bombs*

This violation has a mandatory prosecution and mandatory sentence of five (5) years in a juvenile facility and at age 18, transferred to adult correctional facility. Violator must complete at least high school degree before release.

2) Attempt to commit bodily harm with lethal weapons. Has mandatory prosecution and mandatory sentencing of ten (10) years in a juvenile facility and at age 18, transferred to adult correctional facility. Violator must complete at least high school degree before release.

3) Lethal use of a weapon resulting in death. Carries life sentence without parole or can be given the death penalty.

All violators will be handled by law enforcement through booking and arraignment at which time the violator/s will be turned over to juvenile authorities to be held without bail until trial.

Responsibility for prosecution of juveniles is to be transferred to the state district attorneys selected by the people in the district where the crime was committed.

This law is to be posted in all schools, private and public, from 6th grade and above.

This law is to be read to the whole school in assembly within the first four (4) hours of the first day of the school year

Henry G. Evans of Independence, VA

Joseph G. Miller of West Jefferson, NC

It was moved and seconded that the Association supports this bill as a resolution adopted and drafted but upon further discussion and questions both withdrew

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motions. It was then decided there would be discussion on this matter at a later date and that representatives should take this bill back to their churches and see if they were in support of it.

Recognized all Preachers attending meeting and then a time of testimony and sharing was given as we were ahead of the schedule. Rev. Jesus Padilla and his son, Jesus Jr. sang *"Because He Lives"* in Spanish. Rev. Padilla asked that we encourage and love the Hispanic people in our communities. Mrs. Geneva Faw, Missionary, shared information on a Southern Baptist Mission called *Booklink,* and asked that we donate our old books, Bibles, dictionaries and all literature from the Baptist Sunday School Board. She left an address for this with our Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn.

Report of Time/Place Preacher Committee — Rev. Lonnie Carpenter

Mrs. Linda Blevins asked the 'approval of the Minutes' be waived until they could be typed up and presented to the Executive Committee. It was approved to do this.

Memorial Service — Rev. Bill Ballou

Benediction and blessing on the food by Rev. Rick Miller. Rev. Lawrence Goodman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rev. Johnny Goodman seconded this motion. Meeting was adjourned and lunch was served.

Respectfully submitted

Linda K. Blevins, Clerk

NOTES

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***Note: All information compiled from Annual Church Profiles for the year 1999/2000*

Congregational Profiles

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Congregation	Church/ Mission	Total Bapt.	Other Adds.	Total Church Memb.	Sunday School Enroll.	Sunday School Avg. Attd.	VBS Enroll.
Apple Grove	C	4	0	54	36	36	0
Bald Mountain	C	18	23	548	350	175	185
Beaver Creek	C	0	3	142	66	55	72
Big Flatts	C	0	0	101	35	20	28
Big Laurel	C	2	0	22	0	0	0
Blue Ridge	C	4	2	54	25	25	18
Bristol	C	6	4	325	120	91	102
Buffalo	C	7	7	109	79	55	65
Calvary	C	0	9	70	42	36	42
Clifton	C	12	24	290	115	100	135
Farmers Memorial	C	2	0	38	0	0	0
Fletcher Memorial	C	2	3	370	125	80	85
Friendly Grove	C	0	2	168	100	75	83
Friendship	C	12	8	419	127	105	187
Glendale Springs	C	2	9	181	191	90	96
Grassy Creek	C	3	0	142	40	24	0
Healing Springs	C	0	4	193	70	67	62
Highlands Community	M	0	0	14	45	45	0
Landmark	C	16	4	158	130	95	98
Laurel Knob	C	0	0	83	28	25	0
Liberty Grove	C	0	0	201	80	57	49
Little Helton	C	0	0	94	50	34	29
Midway	C	1	4	290	80	72	72
Mision Bautiste, Cristo	M	0	0	28	28	28	0
Mission Home	C	3	16	149	63	63	81
Mount Olive	C	0	6	79	78	48	57
New River	C	6	0	253	118	78	69
North Beaver	C	3	1	192	64	54	84
Oak Hill	C	1	4	151	36	30	46
Obids	C	0	0	52	37	30	50
Old Fields	C	0	1	103	0	44	57
Orion	C	2	2	170	66	40	40
Peak Valley	C	2	0	21	26	26	0
Phoenix	C	0	5	169	92	51	92
Pilot Mountain	C	0	0	84	17	16	0
Pine Swamp	C	0	0	69	35	30	16
Pleasant Home	C	3	2	143	84	60	45
Pleasant Valley	C	16	2	72	0	0	0
Prosperity	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Round Knob	C	0	2	129	33	22	31
Sabbath Home	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Three Forks	C	1	0	31	8	29	0
Trinity	C	44	0	565	186	154	147
Tuckerdale	C	0	0	170	90	71	91
Wagoner	C	0	0	44	32	23	33
Warrensville	C	10	12	352	199	99	118
Welcome Home	C	12	3	100	58	45	84
		194	162	7192	3282	2403	2549

For 1999-00 Associational Year

Disciple Training Enroll.	Church Music Enroll.	WMU Enroll.	Brother-Hood Enroll.	Total Receipts	Total Co-op Program	Total Assn. Missions	Total Mission Expend.
0	0	0	0	$7,000	$0	$0	$0
77	90	50	47	$302,692	$11,700	$4,800	$29,816
0	27	14	0	$38,084	$0	$1,337	$2,637
0	38	0	0	$19,921	$160	$750	$2,974
0	4	0	0	$1,722	$0	$420	$480
0	0	0	0	$15,439	$0	$600	$3,160
0	39	0	0	$67,834	$2,679	$2,470	$5,899
6	38	9	0	$42,508	$0	$375	$1,618
25	25	10	0	$16,351	$100	$200	$950
0	66	15	0	$74,743	$1,905	$2,405	$8,910
0	0	0	0	$0	$0	$0	$0
165	39	33	27	$134,280	$9,147	$6,860	$32,679
66	32	39	0	$117,468	$3,000	$3,000	$16,952
23	61	64	63	$185,891	$23,598	$4,082	$39,770
0	70	0	10	$80,332	$420	$2,747	$15,976
0	16	0	0	$41,180	$2,278	$840	$8,241
7	17	13	8	$36,010	$1,683	$1,505	$8,601
25	11	13	0	$20,339	$0	$0	$0
33	61	34	34	$76,667	$0	$1,500	$10,281
26	19	0	0	$56,286	$867	$2,521	$7,568
80	34	14	0	$71,280	$1,500	$2,000	$18,409
0	0	0	0	$11,371	$64	$200	$264
56	60	36	25	$97,406	$8,300	$900	$29,825
9	9	0	0	$3,640	$0	$0	$0
47	31	29	6	$71,759	$3,000	$2,050	$7,490
0	0	0	0	$26,800	$350	$1,000	$2,510
16	56	15	0	$111,057	$5,107	$4,085	$31,121
45	26	10	0	$45,557	$1,200	$2,300	$4,630
0	31	0	0	$22,271	$0	$0	$3,643
0	20	0	0	$16,765	$200	$900	$1,225
28	17	15	11	$53,119	$4,000	$2,000	$13,818
0	26	22	0	$58,673	$3,199	$2,733	$11,545
0	0	0	0	$18,495	$0	$0	$0
25	29	6	25	$56,123	$900	$1,000	$3,517
0	14	0	0	$6,355	$0	$0	$0
0	0	0	0	$13,872	$200	$150	$450
0	12	0	0	$46,681	$919	$2,739	$5,403
0	19	0	0	$9,653	$9,658	$0	$9,658
0	0	0	0	$0	$0	$0	$0
0	0	0	0	$20,355	$759	$580	$1,339
0	0	0	0	$0	$0	$0	$0
0	0	0	0	$0	$0	$0	$1,200
0	67	197	190	$171,898	$1,537	$784	$3,949
28	37	20	4	$38,727	$0	$600	$8,535
0	12	7	0	$20,194	$74	$600	$5,349
0	66	10	0	$100,276	$1,800	$900	$12,121
0	28	15	0	$3,862	$3,423	$0	$4,151
787	1247	690	450	$2,430,736	$103,727	$81,913	$370,684

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING INFORMATION

Items Reported:

19 - Total Ongoing Discipleship
19a - Ongoing Presch.
19b - Ongoing Child.
19c - Ongoing Youth 12-17
20 - Total Short-Term
20c - Short-Term Youth

CONGREGATION	C/M	19	19a	19b	19c
APPLE GROVE	C	0	0	0	0
BALD MOUNTAIN	C	0	0	0	0
BEAVER CREEK	C	0	0	0	0
BIG FLATTS	C	0	0	0	0
BIG LAUREL	C	0	0	0	0
Blue Ridge	C	0	0	0	0
BRISTOL	C	0	0	0	0
BUFFALO	C	6	0	0	0
CALVARY	C	25	1	4	4
CLIFTON	C	0	0	0	0
FARMERS MEMORIAL	C	0	0	0	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	C	61	0	6	16
FRIENDLY GROVE	C	66	14	5	10
FRIENDSHIP	C	23	0	0	0
GLENDALE SPRINGS	C	0	0	0	0
GRASSY CREEK	C	0	0	0	0
[illegible]ALING SPRINGS	C	7	2	1	2
Highlands	M	10	0	0	0
LANDMARK BAPTIST	C	0	0	0	0
LAUREL KNOB	C	20	0	0	6
LIBERTY GROVE	C	80	9	7	2
LITTLE HELTON	C	0	0	0	0
MIDWAY	C	56	3	7	6
Mission Bautiste, Cr	M	3	0	0	0
MISSION HOME	C	47	0	4	16
MOUNT OLIVE	C	0	0	0	0
NEW RIVER	C	16	0	0	0
NORTH BEAVER	C	39	0	6	9
OAK HILL	C	0	0	0	0
OBIDS	C	0	0	0	0
OLD FIELDS	C	28	0	0	7
ORION	C	0	0	0	0
PEAK VALLEY	C	0	0	0	0
PHOENIX	C	25	0	3	4
PILOT MOUNTAIN	C	0	0	0	0
PINE SWAMP	C	0	0	0	0
PLEASANT HOME	C	0	0	0	0
PLEASANT VALLEY	C	0	0	0	0
PROSPERITY	C	0	0	0	0
ROUND KNOB	C	0	0	0	0
SABBATH HOME	C	0	0	0	0
THREE FORKS	C	0	0	0	0
TRINITY	C	0	0	0	0
TUCKERDALE	C	28	3	12	4
WAGONER	C	0	0	0	0
WARRENSVILLE	C	0	0	0	0
WELCOME HOME	C	0	0	0	0
Association Total:		**540**	**32**	**55**	**86**

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DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING INFORMATION

19d - Ongoing Adult 18-Up
19e - DT Gen.
20a - Short-Term
20b - Short-Term
20d - Short-Term Adults - Gen. Officers
DTEN(19+20) - Total DT

19d	19e	20	20a	20b	20c	20d	DTEN
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	77	0	0	0	77	77
0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
14	2	0	0	0	0	0	25
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
37	2	104	8	28	24	44	165
25	12	0	0	0	0	0	66
20	3	0	0	0	0	0	23
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	0	0	7
10	0	15	0	0	0	15	25
0	0	33	0	0	0	33	33
12	2	6	0	0	5	1	26
62	0	0	0	0	0	0	80
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	28	0	0	0	0	0	56
3	0	6	4	1	1	0	9
26	1	0	0	0	0	0	47
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	1	0	0	0	0	0	16
18	6	6	0	0	0	6	45
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	2	0	0	0	0	0	28
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	1	0	0	0	0	0	25
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	6	0	0	0	0	0	28
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
299	68	247	12	29	30	182	787

GENERAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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Items Reported:

26 - Undesignated Gifts

27 - Designated Gifts

CONGREGATION	C/M	26	27
APPLE GROVE	C	$6,000	$1,000
BALD MOUNTAIN	C	$195,015	$107,677
BEAVER CREEK	C	$38,084	$0
BIG FLATTS	C	$14,565	$5,356
BIG LAUREL	C	$1,580	$0
Blue Ridge	C	$13,939	$1,500
BRISTOL	C	$61,751	$5,716
BUFFALO	C	$35,139	$7,078
CALVARY	C	$16,051	$300
CLIFTON	C	$64,160	$10,583
FARMERS MEMORIAL	C	$0	$0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	C	$114,359	$17,007
FRIENDLY GROVE	C	$108,507	$7,159
FRIENDSHIP	C	$185,251	$0
GLENDALE SPRINGS	C	$72,021	$7,470
GRASSY CREEK	C	$39,268	$1,301
HEALING SPRINGS	C	$27,766	$4,896
Highlands	M	$20,339	$0
LANDMARK BAPTIST	C	$45,511	$30,621
LAUREL KNOB	C	$44,445	$10,973
LIBERTY GROVE	C	$71,230	$50
LITTLE HELTON	C	$7,882	$3,489
MIDWAY	C	$82,995	$8,630
Mission Bautiste, Cr	M	$0	$0
MISSION HOME	C	$71,759	$0
MOUNT OLIVE	C	$26,000	$800
NEW RIVER	C	$102,136	$8,845
NORTH BEAVER	C	$44,557	$1,000
OAK HILL	C	$22,271	$0
OBIDS	C	$16,765	$0
OLD FIELDS	C	$44,671	$8,159
ORION	C	$53,736	$4,806
PEAK VALLEY	C	$10,845	$1,676
PHOENIX	C	$53,894	$2,229
PILOT MOUNTAIN	C	$6,021	$334
PINE SWAMP	C	$10,398	$3,474
PLEASANT HOME	C	$33,728	$12,231
PLEASANT VALLEY	C	$7,782	$1,871
PROSPERITY	C	$0	$0
ROUND KNOB	C	$20,355	$0
SABBATH HOME	C	$0	$0
THREE FORKS	C	$0	$0
TRINITY	C	$150,946	$20,000
TUCKERDALE	C	$35,293	$2,818
WAGONER	C	$20,194	$0
WARRENSVILLE	C	$85,093	$14,028
WELCOME HOME	C	$1,944	$1,918
	Association Total:	$2,084,246	$314,995

28 - Other Receipts **36 - Value - Cong. Property**
TREC(26+27+28) - Total Receipts **37 - Congregational Debt**

28	TREC	36	37
$0	$7,000	$33,000	$0
$0	$302,692	$500,000	$0
$0	$38,084	$200,000	$15,000
$0	$19,921	$203,500	$0
$142	$1,722	$95,000	$0
$0	$15,439	$130,000	$0
$367	$67,834	$100,000	$0
$291	$42,508	$225,000	$0
$0	$16,351	$245,000	$0
$0	$74,743	$169,500	$0
$0	$0	$0	$0
$2,914	$134,280	$1,094,426	$0
$1,802	$117,468	$750,000	$0
$440	$185,691	$698,700	$0
$841	$80,332	$400,000	$0
$611	$41,180	$250,000	$0
$3,348	$36,010	$181,500	$0
$0	$20,339	$0	$0
$535	$76,667	$305,000	$0
$868	$56,286	$270,000	$0
$0	$71,280	$385,000	$0
$0	$11,371	$69,855	$900
$5,781	$97,406	$640,000	$0
$3,640	$3,640	$0	$0
$0	$71,759	$85,600	$0
$0	$26,800	$120,000	$4,800
$76	$111,057	$250,000	$0
$0	$45,557	$325,000	$0
$0	$22,271	$100,000	$0
$0	$16,765	$105,000	$0
$289	$53,119	$250,000	$0
$131	$58,673	$300,000	$0
$5,974	$18,495	$26,000	$0
$0	$56,123	$500,000	$36,000
$0	$6,355	$271,400	$0
$0	$13,872	$80,000	$0
$722	$46,681	$200,000	$0
$0	$9,653	$30,000	$0
$0	$0	$0	$0
$0	$20,355	$100,000	$0
$0	$0	$0	$0
$0	$0	$90,000	$0
$952	$171,898	$250,000	$14,814
$616	$38,727	$250,000	$0
$0	$20,194	$130,000	$0
$1,155	$100,276	$410,703	$0
$0	$3,862	$197,700	$0
$31,495	**$2,430,736**	**$11,016,884**	**$71,514**

MEMBER AND CONGREGATIONAL INFORMATION

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CONGREGATION	C/M	COUNTY	1 - Total Membership	2 - Resident Membership	4 - Other Additions
APPLE GROVE	C	ASHE	54	50	0
BALD MOUNTAIN	C	Ashe	548	483	23
BEAVER CREEK	C	Ashe	142	101	3
BIG FLATTS	C	Ashe	101	69	0
BIG LAUREL	C	Ashe	22	4	0
Blue Ridge	C	Ashe	54	40	2
BRISTOL	C	Ashe	325	291	4
BUFFALO	C	Ashe	109	97	7
CALVARY	C	Ashe	70	50	9
CLIFTON	C	Ashe	290	230	24
FARMERS MEMORIAL	C		38	0	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	C	Ashe	370	330	3
FRIENDLY GROVE	C	Ashe	168	160	2
FRIENDSHIP	C	Ashe	419	375	8
GLENDALE SPRINGS	C	Ashe	181	126	9
GRASSY CREEK	C	Ashe	142	83	0
HEALING SPRINGS	C	Ashe	193	112	4
Highlands	M	Ashe	14	14	0
LANDMARK BAPTIST	C	Ashe	160	135	0
LAUREL KNOB	C	Ashe	83	50	0
LIBERTY GROVE	C	Ashe	201	71	0
LITTLE HELTON	C	Ashe	94	44	0
MIDWAY	C	Ashe	290	223	4
Mission Bautiste, Cr	M	Ashe	28	28	0
MISSION HOME	C	Ashe	149	135	16
MOUNT OLIVE	C	Ashe	79	67	6
NEW RIVER	C	Ashe	253	130	0
NORTH BEAVER	C	Ashe	192	145	1
OAK HILL	C	Ashe	151	127	4
OBIDS	C	Ashe	52	49	0
OLD FIELDS	C	Ashe	103	80	1
ORION	C	Ashe	170	149	2
PEAK VALLEY	C	Ashe	21	16	0
PHOENIX	C	Ashe	169	139	5
PILOT MOUNTAIN	C	Watauga	84	84	0
PINE SWAMP	C	69	69	0	0
PLEASANT HOME	C	Ashe	143	106	2
PLEASANT VALLEY	C	Ashe	72	32	2
PROSPERITY	C		0	0	0
ROUND KNOB	C	Ashe	129	96	2
SABBATH HOME	C	Ashe	0	0	0
THREE FORKS	C	Ashe	31	0	0
TRINITY	C	Watauga	565	452	0
TUCKERDALE	C	Ashe	170	140	0
WAGONER	C	Ashe	44	38	0
WARRENSVILLE	C	Ashe	352	199	12
WELCOME HOME	C	Ashe	100	100	3
		Association Total:	7,194	5,450	158

				6 - Year Organized		8 - Location (A-J)				
	5 - New Member Training			7 - Year Pastor Came		9 - AM Worship Att.				
10 - Church-Type Missions Started				12 - Lost/Unchurched			14 - Intercessory Prayer			
11 - Church-Type Missions Operating				13 - Assoc. Mis. on % Basis			Racial Ethnic Group (1-7)			
0	1889	1986	A	40	0	0	N	N	N	1
0	1810	1991	A	280	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
0	1890	1990	A	70	0	0	N	Y	N	1
0	1905	1995	A	20	0	0	N	N	N	1
0	1880	1989	A	8	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
0	1887	1994	A	30	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
6	1883	1973	B	155	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1869	1997	A	60	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1960	1995	C	0	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
0	1891	1995	C	135	0	0	Y	Y	N	1
0	1953	1993	A	0	0	0	N	N		1
0	1953	1999	C	131	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1945	1999	A	100	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
0	1880	1996	A	158	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1914	1992	A	140	0	0	N	Y	Y	1
0	1929	1997	B	40	0	0	N	Y	N	1
0	1884	1998	A	85	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
14	1998	1998	C	30	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1856	1998	A	125	0	4	Y	N	Y	1
0	1912	1984	A	45	0	0		Y	Y	1
0	1915	1999	A	67	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1923	1991	A	33	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
0	1954	1998	A	102	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
4	1998	1997	C	28	0	0	N	N	Y	1
5	1892	1997	A	76	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1941	1996	A	53	0	0	N	Y	Y	1
0	1885		A	105	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1943	1990	A	100	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1927	1999	A	35	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1892	1995	A	30	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1803	1995	A	70	0	0	N	Y	N	1
0	1911	1996	A	70	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1892		A	25	0	0				1
1	1908	1997	A	50	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1886	1998	A	21	0	0	Y	Y	N	1
0	1948	1998	A	40	0	0	N	N	N	1
0	1870	1996	A	60	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1929	1990	A	25	0	0	Y	N	N	1
0				0	0	0				1
0	1929	1990	A	25	0	0	Y	N	N	1
0				0	0	0				1
0	1835	1995	A	35	0	0				1
96	1975	1994	A	310	0	5	Y	Y	Y	7
10	1915	1997	A	75	0	0	Y	N	Y	1
0	1949	1997	A	30	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
0	1870	1996	A	160	2	14	Y	N	Y	1
0	1933	1999	A	75	0	0	Y	Y	Y	1
136				3,352	2	23				

MISSION FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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Items Reported:

29 - Cooperative Program

30 - Assoc. Missions

CONGREGATION	C/M	29	30
APPLE GROVE	C	$0	$0
BALD MOUNTAIN	C	$11,700	$4,800
BEAVER CREEK	C	$0	$1,337
BIG FLATTS	C	$160	$750
BIG LAUREL	C	$0	$420
Blue Ridge	C	$0	$600
BRISTOL	C	$2,679	$2,470
BUFFALO	C	$0	$375
CALVARY	C	$100	$200
CLIFTON	C	$1,905	$2,405
FARMERS MEMORIAL	C	$0	$0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	C	$9,147	$6,860
FRIENDLY GROVE	C	$3,000	$3,000
FRIENDSHIP	C	$23,598	$4,082
GLENDALE SPRINGS	C	$420	$2,747
GRASSY CREEK	C	$2,278	$840
HEALING SPRINGS	C	$1,683	$1,505
Highlands	M	$0	$0
LANDMARK BAPTIST	C	$0	$1,500
LAUREL KNOB	C	$867	$2,521
LIBERTY GROVE	C	$1,500	$2,000
LITTLE HELTON	C	$64	$200
MIDWAY	C	$8,300	$900
Mission Bautiste, Cr	M	$0	$0
MISSION HOME	C	$3,000	$2,050
MOUNT OLIVE	C	$350	$1,000
NEW RIVER	C	$5,107	$4,085
NORTH BEAVER	C	$1,200	$2,300
OAK HILL	C	$0	$0
OBIIN	C	$200	$900
OLD FIELDS	C	$4,000	$2,000
ORION	C	$3,199	$2,733
PEAK VALLEY	C	$0	$0
PHOENIX	C	$900	$1,000
PILOT MOUNTAIN	C	$0	$0
PINE SWAMP	C	$200	$150
PLEASANT HOME	C	$919	$2,739
PLEASANT VALLEY	C	$9,658	$0
PROSPERITY	C	$0	$0
ROUND KNOB	C	$759	$580
SABBATH HOME	C	$0	$0
THREE FORKS	C	$0	$0
TRINITY	C	$1,537	$764
TUCKERDALE	C	$0	$600
WAGONER	C	$74	$600
WARRENSVILLE	C	$1,800	$900
WELCOME HOME	C	$3,423	$0
	Association Total:	**$103,727**	**$61,913**

31 - State Missions **33 - Lottie Moon** **35 - Non-SBC Miss. Exp.**
32 - Annie Armstrong **34 - Other SBC Miss. Exp.** **TME(29thru35) - Total Mission Expenditures**

31	32	33	34	35	TME
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
$0	$883	$6,033	$0	$6,400	$29,816
$0	$100	$100	$900	$200	$2,637
$0	$139	$1,625	$0	$300	$2,974
$0	$0	$0	$60	$0	$480
$500	$700	$500	$860	$0	$3,160
$0	$0	$700	$50	$0	$5,899
$0	$351	$552	$340	$0	$1,618
$0	$245	$405	$0	$0	$950
$1,400	$800	$800	$0	$1,600	$8,910
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
$0	$3,527	$4,771	$3,112	$5,262	$32,679
$1,800	$2,128	$3,761	$1,200	$2,063	$16,952
$1,851	$3,320	$4,519	$1,200	$1,200	$39,770
$100	$400	$420	$300	$11,589	$15,976
$200	$275	$275	$240	$2,133	$6,241
$903	$242	$200	$759	$1,309	$6,601
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
$600	$600	$2,246	$2,883	$2,452	$10,281
$791	$0	$1,735	$0	$1,654	$7,568
$1,395	$535	$2,900	$1,000	$9,079	$18,409
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$264
$3,285	$1,449	$2,997	$674	$12,220	$29,825
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
$0	$425	$750	$0	$1,265	$7,490
$200	$260	$700	$0	$0	$2,510
$440	$2,065	$2,927	$10,842	$5,655	$31,121
$0	$337	$393	$0	$400	$4,630
$0	$0	$791	$480	$2,372	$3,643
$0	$125	$0	$0	$0	$1,225
$22	$1,300	$1,700	$471	$4,325	$13,818
$1,044	$1,321	$1,946	$0	$1,302	$11,545
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
$0	$500	$1,117	$0	$0	$3,517
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
$0	$50	$50	$0	$0	$450
$919	$0	$826	$0	$0	$5,403
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$9,658
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$1,339
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
$0	$0	$0	$0	$1,200	$1,200
$0	$270	$1,378	$0	$0	$3,949
$1,700	$0	$500	$1,100	$2,635	$6,535
$500	$300	$500	$900	$2,475	$5,349
$1,200	$825	$632	$0	$6,764	$11,121
$0	$388	$340	$0	$0	$4,151
$18,850	**$23,860**	**$49,089**	**$27,371**	**$85,854**	**$370,664**

MUSIC MINISTRY INFORMATION

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Items Reported:

21- Total Music Ministry Enrollment

21a - Preschool 3-5 yrs.

CONGREGATION	C/M	21	21a
APPLE GROVE	C	0	0
BALD MOUNTAIN	C	90	13
BEAVER CREEK	C	27	1
BIG FLATTS	C	38	4
BIG LAUREL	C	4	0
Blue Ridge	C	0	0
BRISTOL	C	39	0
BUFFALO	C	38	2
CALVARY	C	25	1
CLIFTON	C	66	1
FARMERS MEMORIAL	C	0	0
FLETCHER MEMORIAL	C	39	2
FRIENDLY GROVE	C	32	12
FRIENDSHIP	C	61	3
GLENDALE SPRINGS	C	70	8
GRASSY CREEK	C	16	0
HEALING SPRINGS	C	17	0
Highlands	M	11	0
LANDMARK BAPTIST	C	67	4
LAUREL KNOB	C	19	2
LIBERTY GROVE	C	34	1
LITTLE HELTON	C	0	0
MIDWAY	C	60	4
Mission Bautista, Cr	M	9	0
MISSION HOME	C	31	0
MOUNT OLIVE	C	0	0
NEW RIVER	C	56	3
NORTH BEAVER	C	26	0
OAK HILL	C	31	0
OBIDS	C	20	0
OLD FIELDS	C	17	0
ORION	C	26	0
PEAK VALLEY	C	0	0
PHOENIX	C	29	0
PILOT MOUNTAIN	C	14	0
PINE SWAMP	C	0	0
PLEASANT HOME	C	12	0
PLEASANT VALLEY	C	19	0
PROSPERITY	C	0	0
ROUND KNOB	C	0	0
SABBATH HOME	C	0	0
THREE FORKS	C	0	0
TRINITY	C	67	4
TUCKERDALE	C	37	0
WAGONER	C	12	0
WARRENSVILLE	C	66	0
WELCOME HOME	C	28	0
	Association Total:	1,253	65

For 1999-00 Associational Year

21b - Children 6-11 yrs.
21c - Youth 12-17 yrs.
21d - Adult Choir 18-Up
21e - Other Music Groups

21b	21c	21d	21e
0	0	0	0
9	8	60	0
4	1	21	0
5	0	26	3
0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0
2	5	30	2
4	0	24	8
2	4	18	0
2	4	43	16
0	0	0	0
4	5	28	0
0	0	20	0
20	2	31	5
4	1	45	12
0	1	15	0
0	2	15	0
0	0	11	0
10	7	32	14
0	2	15	0
2	2	29	0
0	0	0	0
10	11	21	14
1	3	5	0
2	11	18	0
0	0	0	0
8	14	25	6
0	2	18	6
2	2	27	0
0	2	18	0
0	0	17	0
0	0	25	1
0	0	0	0
2	7	17	3
0	1	13	0
0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0
1	2	13	3
0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0
10	7	32	14
5	6	20	6
0	0	10	2
8	6	35	17
0	2	26	0
117	120	803	132

2000

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

One Hundred Fourteenth
Annual Session

"Where there is no vision, the people perish."
Proverbs 29:18

Friday, August 18, 2000
Hosted by
Liberty Grove Baptist Church

Saturday, August 19, 2000
Hosted by
Tuckerdale Baptist Church

ONE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Meeting on Friday, August 18, 2000
Host Church, Liberty Grove Baptist Church

Meeting on Saturday, August 19,
Host Church, Tuckerdale Baptist Church

A Special Thanks

Rev. David Blackburn, Director of Missions and Sherry Sevart, Office Assistant would like to thank all the volunteers who made this minute book possible.

God bless you all!

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ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS OF THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

MODERATOR	REV. KERSHAW GETTY
VICE-MODERATOR	MR. JERRY POWERS
TREASURER	MRS. LINDA BLEVINS
CLERK	MRS. SHERRY SEVERT

SPEAKERS FOR THE 114TH ANNUAL MEETING

STEVE HOFFMAN	BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES
REV. PAUL MULLEN	NC BAPTIST HOSPITAL
MRS. IRMA DUKE	CAMPBELL UNIVERSITY
REV. TODD EDMISTON	FRUITLAND BIBLE INSTITUTE
TONY W. CARTLEDGE	THE BIBLICAL RECORDER
MARK CREECH	CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE
DAN BIVINS	FOREIGN MISSIONS -BSC
DR. JOHNNY ROSS	ANNUITY BOARD - BSC
REV. DAVID GRINNELL	ANNUAL MEETING MESSAGE
REV. KEITH CASEY	ASSOCIATIONAL SERMON
REV. JERRY FRANCIS	MISSION SERMON
REV. WAYNE JONES	ANNUAL MEETING MESSAGE

The 2000/2001 Ashe Baptist Association is dedicated

In Honor of John Cabot Witherspoon

John Cabot Witherspoon has had many years of service to God through the church, to his family and to his country, Raised in Jefferson, he attended Friendship School and Friendship Baptist Church. On April 17th 1932 he joined Friendship and began his service to God and on September 23rd, 1940 he joined the US Army and served with the 307th Infantry and the 77th Division in the Pacific Theater. John saw combat on Guam, in the Philippines, on Ie Shima, and on Okinawa as well as other campaigns.

Before the end of Work War II, on January 8th 1944 he married Mary Ruth Shatley. After an American victory in the Pacific, John returned to Ashe County. He and Ruth have one son, Steve Witherspoon, current pastor of Highlands Community Church.

John's service to the church continued, as he was ordained a deacon at Friendship Baptist Church on April 21, 1957 During the succeeding years, he has served faithfully with several pastors including G.C. Burkett who married he and Ruth, M.D. Hart, Rev. Powers, Tommy Johnson, Herb Parunak, Johnny Blevins, Mike Hamby, and David Grinnell. Whenever there was work to be done on the facility or the church cemetery, John was always "present and accounted for." He served as the chairman of the cemetery committee for several years and worked with the Department of Veterans Affairs to obtain bronze plot markers for those who had served in the Armed Forces. Always known as one in the community that could be called on at a moments notice, he was frequently found assisting people stuck, off the road, broken down or needing a friend to talk with.. John also served the people of Ashe County with the N.C. Department of Public Transportation during routine workdays as well as during times of weather related emergencies. His contributions to the church, his family and the community are beyond enumeration.

The 2000/2001 Ashe Baptist Association
is dedicated

In Memory of
Irene H. Campbell

Irene Marie Hudler was born in Ashe County to Fred and Flossie Hudler on September 25, 1923. She professed her faith in Christ at an early age and was baptized. She was a faithful member of First Baptist Church in West Jefferson and, later, Friendly Grove Baptist Church where she was active in Sunday School, Baptist Training Union and Women's Missionary Union, and the Ashe Baptist Association. She married Blan Dixon on July 3, 1943 and became a widow when he was killed in the Pacific during World War II. She married Dewey Campbell on June 5, 1949. They were the parents of three children. They remained a loving and happy couple until her death on April 8, 2000.

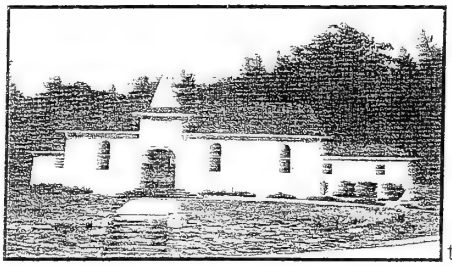
My mother was a devout Christian; always interested in studying the Bible, teaching Sunday School, leading in Vacation Bible School, supporting missions, and serving the physical and spiritual needs of her family. She believed in prayer and missions. An abiding love of hers was the Woman's Missionary Union, where she served as a member and Director for the First Baptist Church, Associational WMU Director in the 1980's and later as Mission Support Chairman at Friendly Grove. One of my best memories is watching and helping her prepare for the Weeks of Prayer for Foreign and Home Missions. She loved doing the Lord's work.

Mother also loved music. She served as pianist for a number of years, playing for Associational meetings and Crusades, as well as playing for her home churches and WMU. She greatly enjoyed singing alto in the choirs at First Baptist, Friendly Grove, and Associational meetings.

Mother worked all her life serving her Lord, her family, and her fellow man in the ways she could best. Her love for Christ and his church was evident in all she did. Her tireless efforts to help bring the message of eternal life to others were a blessing to many. She was truly a worker for Christ. I recall a verse from Romans that Mother quoted often:

> "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."
> Romans 8:28

Joy Campbell
September 2000



LIBERTY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH A BRIEF HISTORY

Liberty Grove Baptist Church began in a store building located approximately one-fourth mile from the present building in the year 1912. At first, only prayer meetings were held, but it wasn't long until Sunday services were being held also.

Church services continued in the store house until Liberty Grove Church was organized and constructed in 1915. The next year, the old store house was completely destroyed by flood waters. Although the building was destroyed, the memories of wonderful fellowship, spiritual satisfaction, and the closeness of God remained in the hearts of the people.

While meetings were being held in the store house, plans were developed and land donated for the construction of a church building.

The land for the new building was heavily covered with stumps. It was agreed that the men would meet and remove one stump each week until the land was cleared. Since no machinery was available, all the work had to be done manually.

The lumber to construct the building was cut from timber standing on the property across from the church. Connelly Greene was employed to cut the timber, saw the lumber, and construct the building.

A sawmill was moved onto the property and the cutting of the timber began. A dry kiln was constructed near the building site in order to properly dry the lumber. Since fireproof materials were not available with which to build the kiln, much care had to be taken in firing the kiln in order not to burn up the lumber. Herbert Greene, son of Connelly Greene, was given the job of firing the kiln.

The construction of the building was very unique, due to the pulpit being in the center of the building rather than in one end. Many people over the years have wondered why it was placed in the center. Apparently, this idea originated with preacher George M. Reeves, who was later to pastor the church. His reason for suggesting this placement was to bring the congregation and preacher closer together. It worked —- there has always been a close fellowship at Liberty Grove. The original pews were angled from the corners

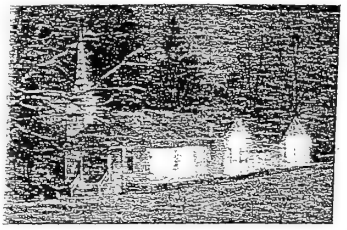
toward the pulpit.

Construction was finished and the church was officially organized on September 25, 1915, with approximately thirty charter members.

Liberty Grove Baptist Church has been faithfully served by the following pastors:

D.O. Ray	1915
D.M. Wheeler	1916
George M. Reeves	1917
C.M. Cope	1918
M.A. Adams	1919-1920
I.M. Hayes	1921-1922
Coy Blackburn	1921-1922
J.A. Brindell	1924-1926
I.B. Mury	1926-1928
H.M. Winkler	1928-1939
Levy Greer	1939-1941
Vilas Minton	1941-1943
G.C. Burkett	1943-1951
Bynum Trivette	1951-1956
Roe Paisley	1956-1961
John Goodman	1961-1966
G.C. Burkett	1966-1970
Carl Witherspoon	1970-1973
Kermit Goodman	1974-1979
Gary Watson	1980-1982
David Long	1982-1985
Harvey Presnell	1986-1993
Jerry Reavis	1994-1996
Lynn Powers (interim)	1996-1997
Jimmy Williams	1998-1999
Kershaw Getty	1999-present

Liberty Grove Baptist Church is a place where everybody is somebody and Jesus Christ is Lord.



History of
Tuckerdale Missionary Baptist Church

On December 20, 1915, Tuckerdale Missionary Baptist Church was organized with eight charter members. Rev. George Reeves was called to pastor the church in 1916 and 1917. In May of 1916, the first baptizing was held and nine more people were added to the church. God blessed the church and it grew. Many changes occurred in the building. In 1939, electricity was added and later, oil heat replaced the wood stove.

In years to come, God would bless the church even more as people were saved and joined the church. There would be a need to building bigger to hold the people God would send. Rev. George Reeves was the first pastor to serve in the old school house where most early churches started. After the church house was built, others serving as pastor were: Elihu Tucker, Edgar Denny, James Sexton, T.M. Hayes, Estelle A. Eller, Ezekiel Blevins, M.D. Hart, Cicero Ashley, Frank Tucker, Lloyd Day, and presently Pastor Larry Powers. God has blessed Tuckerdale Baptist Church with Spirit-filled pastors who believe in preaching the word of God and being led by the Holy Spirit. Ministers who were ordained at Tuckerdale include: Frank Tucker, Jr., Elmer Lee Powers, Ora Sullivan and J.B. Ham.

Current highlights include the Tuckerdale Ladies Circle and activities for older and younger youth, and Bible study each Wednesday night with classes for all ages. We have special singings each quarter, annual Vacation Bible School and Spring and Fall Revivals.

We needed a much larger fellowship building. God saw our need and blessed us to have it. With much prayer and discussion, the church began work on the fellowship hall in August of 1999. God continued to bless with people to do the work and weather to get it done. With everyone working together, through prayers, time and monies, we were able to finish the building the first of July. On July 23, 2000 we dedicated our new building to the service of the Lord.

Yes, we are excited about what God is doing and is going to do at Tuckerdale Baptist Church. "To God be the Glory".

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	Received	Paid Out	Balance	Placed in General Fund to use for Expenses	Due
Contributions for:					
Danny Medley	762.00	762.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heart Walk of Ashe	100.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hurricane Floyd	4,410.00	4,410.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Michael Miller	390.00	390.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Wanda Richardson	300.00	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Wayne Osborne	250.00	250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Discipleship	50.00	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Celebration 2000	5,479.28	5,479.28	0.00	0.00	0.00
Office Fund/Challenge 2000	2,010.13	2,010.13	0.00	0.00	0.00
Baptist Summer Camp	90.00	90.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hispanic Ministry					
Churches	5,375.00	13,595.65	(8,220.65)	(8,220.65)	0.00
Offering/Hispanic Mission	4,540.23	1,346.84	3,193.39	3,193.39	(0.00)
Special Offering/Jesus Jr.	651.00	0.00	651.00	0.00	651.00
Home Missions					
Churches	63,010.97		63,010.97	63,010.97	0.00
Interest Income					
Checking	128.22		128.22	128.22	0.00
Savings	1,033.39		1,033.39	1,033.39	0.00
Minute Books					
Churches	2,972.00	2,972.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ashe Really Cares					
Churches	4,064.67	6,158.18	(2,093.51)	0.00	(2,093.51)
For funeral (Ruth Woodie)	50.00	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Baptist State Convention	9,000.00	3,000.00	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00
Offering	387.86	387.86	0.00	0.00	0.00
Donations:					
Anonymous	8,386.37	6,732.50	1,653.87	0.00	1,653.87
Baptist State Convention	3,616.89	2,866.64	750.25	750.25	0.00
Sales Tax Refund	508.06	122.19	385.87	385.87	0.00
TOTALS:	117,566.07	51,073.27	66,492.80	60,281.44	6,211.36

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2000-2001

		1999-2000 Approved Budget	1999-2000 Actual Expenses	2000-2001 Proposed Budget
I.	EDUCATION AND PROMOTION			
	1. Sunday School	$ 1,000.00	$ 768.50	$ 1000.00
	2. Discipleship Training	600.00	600.00	600.00
	3. Brotherhood	200.00	0.00	200.00
	4. WMU	75.00	0.00	100.00
	5. Church Music	150.00	150.00	1000.00
	6. Vacation Bible School	800.00	548.88	700.00
	7. Evangelism	1,200.00	1,200.00	1200.00
	8. Key Leadership	200.00	166.44	175.00
	9. Association Youth	1,200.00	1,200.00	1200.00
	SUBTOTAL	5,425.00	4,633.82	6175.00
I.	ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE			
	1. Office Equipment	1,000.00	1,000.00	1000.00
	2. Printing and Supplies	2,100.00	2,138.25	2600.00
	3. Postage/Mailing	2,100.00	2,206.80	2300.00
	4. Associational Calendars	400.00	400.00	400.00
	SUBTOTAL	5,600.00	5,745.05	6300.00
I.	SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES			
	1. Director of Missions Salary	35,000.00	35,000.00	37000.00
	2. Secretarial Help	8,320.00	8,046.00	10920.00
	3. Clerk	200.00	200.00	360.00
	Treasurer	1,600.00	1,600.00	1975.00
	(a) Reimbursement for travel	200.00	200.00	300.00
	4. Employee Taxes	775.00	753.22	1015.00
	SUBTOTAL	46,095.00	45,799.22	51570.00
I.	PARSONAGE			
	1. Insurance Premium	500.00	390.00	500.00
	2. Building Repair and Property Maintenance	2,500.00	5,350.00 *	2500.00
	SUBTOTAL	3,000.00	5,740.00	3000.00
I.	MISCELLANEOUS	500.00	500.00	500.00
I.	HISPANIC MINISTRY	13,105.00	13,105.00	13000.00
I.	ASHE REALLY CARES	4,500.00	4,500.00	4500.00
I.	CHALLENGE 2000	0.00	0.00	2500.00
	TOTAL	$ 78,225.00	$ 80,023.09	$ 87,545.00

* This amount was raised by $2850 by Executive Committee to remove trees at parsonage.

Ashe Baptist Association
Nominating Committee Report

These names were respectfully submitted by the Nominating Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association in accordance with Article V; Section 7 of the Constitution and By-Laws.

ASSOCIATIONAL CLERK	MRS. SHERRY SEVERT
YOUTH DIRECTOR	REV. MARK DAVIS
BROTHERHOOD DIRECTOR	BRO. FRED WALTERS
DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING DIRECTOR	GLENN A. MILLLER
ASSST. DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING DIRECTOR	MRS. LINDA BLACKBURN
EVANGELISM CHAIRPERSON	REV. DAYTON ROTEN
MODERATOR	REV. KERSHAW GETTY
MUSIC DIRECTOR	REV. WAYNE OSBORNE
SEMINARY EXTENSION DIRECTOR	REV. RON MCMILLAN
WMU DIRECTOR	FRANCES BLEVINS
SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR	REV. JIM KETNER

These names were voted on and approved by the Executive Committee during 1999, and have attended Key Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest.

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
ORGANIZATIONAL OFFICERS

MODERATOR	REV. KERSHAW GETTY
VICE-MODERATOR	REV. JERRY POWERS
TREASURER	LINDA BLEVINS
CLERK	SHERRY G. SEVERT

ASSOCIATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON NEW CHURCHES

2 YRS	PASTOR #1	REV. ALLEN COMBS
2 YRS	PASTOR #2	DR. JIM RASH
1 YR	PASTOR #3	REV. GARRETT MAHAFFEY
2 YRS	LAY-PERSON #1	COLONEL BLEVINS
1 YR	LAY-PERSON #2	BUCK DAVIS
1 YR	LAY-PERSON #3	MARY DAVIS

PROGRAM COMMITTEE:

2 YRS	MEMBER #1	REV. KERSHAW GETTY
2 YRS	MEMBER #2	BARBARA MCOY
1 YRS	MEMBER #3	LISA AVERY
1 YRS	MEMBER #4	MARIE JORDAN
1 YRS	MEMBER #5	JACK HARLESS

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

3 YRS	MEMBER #1	REV. JIM KETNER
3 YRS	MEMBER #2	TERRY HARTZOG
1 YR	MEMBER #3	DEBORAH FISHEL
1 YR.	MEMBER #4	DALE NEAVES
1 YR.	MEMBER #5	CINDY DAVIS

ASSOCIATIONAL CAMP BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

1 YRS	MEMBER #1	GEORGE SWANN
1 YRS	MEMBER #2	JODY MILLER
2 YR	MEMBER #3	DAVID STIDHAMS
2 YR.	MEMBER #4	CAROLYN MILLER
3 YR.	MEMBER #5	CHARLENE GOODMAN
3 YR.	MEMBER #6	HAROLD JORDAN *CHAIR
3 YR	PASTOR #1	REV. RICK CORNEJO
2 YRS	PASTOR #2	REV. GARY WATSON
1 YR.	PASTOR #3	REV. JOHNNY HUFFMAN

MISSIONS COMMITTEE:

SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR	REV. JIM KETNER
DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING DIRECTOR	GLENN A. MILLER

	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTOR	FRED WALTERS
	WMU DIRECTOR	MRS. FRANCES BLEVINS
	MUSIC DIRECTOR	REV. WAYNE OSBORNE
2 YRS.	PASTOR #1	REV. JACK MILLER
2 YRS.	PASTOR #2	REV. RICK MILLER
	MODERATOR	REV. KERSHAW GETTY
	ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY	REV. DAVID BLACKBURN

ORDINATION COMMITTEE:

3 YRS.	MINISTER #1	REV. DEAN WATSON
2 YRS.	MINISTER #2	REV. TOMMY GRAYBEAL
2 YRS.	MINISTER #3	REV. DAYTON ROTEN
1 YR.	MINISTER #4	REV. EARL ROTEN
1 YR.	MINISTER #5	REV. WAYNE JONES

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE:

1 YR.	MEMBER #1	JUDY VIERS
2 YRS.	MEMBER #2	REV. DAYTON ROTEN
3 YRS	MEMBER #3	REV. LONNIE JONES
3 YRS.	MEMBER #4	JOHN BURKE
3 YRS.	MEMBER #5	PEGGY POWERS

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE:

3 YRS.	MEMBER #1	REV. JIM THOMPSON
2 YRS.	MEMBER #2	JOE OLIVER
1 YR.	MEMBER #3	REV. TOMMY GRAYBEAL
1 YR.	MEMBER #4	CHARLES KING *CHAIRMAN
1 YR.	MEMBER #5	ALLEN NEAVES

PROPERTIES COMMITTEE:

1 YR.	MEMBER #1	CLIFTON POE
2 YR.	MEMBER #2	LAMON PERRY
2 YR.	MEMBER #3	DARRELL BLEVINS

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

1 YR.	MEMBER #1	MRS. KATHLEEN TURNMIRE
1 YR.	MEMBER #2	MRS. THELMA HOWELL
1 YR.	MEMBER #3	BOB NEAVES *CHAIRMAN
2 YR.	MEMBER #4	MRS. SHELBY ROTEN
2 YR.	MEMBER #5	GERRY HAZELWOOD
	TREASURER	MRS. LINDA BLEVINS

ASSOCIATIONAL YOUTH COMMITTEE:

1 YR.	MEMBER #1	AMY TURNMIRE DOLLAR
2 YRS.	MEMBER #2	HEATHER VANNOY
3 YRS.	MEMBER #3	VICKIE MOORE
3 YRS.	MEMBER #4	KEN GREGORY

3 YRS.	MEMBER #5	DONNA POLLARD
YRS.	MEMBER #6	FRANCES BLEVINS *TREASURER
2 YRS.	PASTOR #1	REV. MARK DAVIS
3 YRS.	PASTOR #2	REV. KERSHAW GETTY
3 YRS.	PASTOR #3	REV. LARRY POWERS

SEMINARY EXTENSION COMMITTEE:

2 YR.	MEMBER #1	REV. RONNIE MCMILLAN
1 YR.	MEMBER #2	REV. BILL BALLOU
1YR.	MEMBER #3	REV. KEN FURCHES
3 YRS.	MEMBER #4	REV. KEITH CASEY
3 YRS.	MEMBER #5	REV. ROGER NEWTON

ASSOCIATIONAL TRUSTEES;

MEMBER #1	JIM VANNOY *CHAIRMAN
MEMBER #2	EDD HARLESS
MEMBER #3	LLOYD WITHERSPOON
MEMBER #4	RALPH DAVIS
MEMBER #5	REV. EARL SHEETS, SR.

ASSOCIATIONAL HISTORIAN: REV. BILL BALLOU

ASSOCIATIONAL MUSIC COMMITTEE:

2 YRS.	MEMBER #1	REV. WAYNE OSBORNE *DIR
2 YRS.	MEMBER #2	EDD HARLESS
1 YR.	MEMBER #3	CHRIS HARTLEY
1 YR.	MEMBER #4	REV. CHUCK CALL
3 YR.	MEMBER #5	REV. DWAYNE ZIMMER

ASSOCIATIONAL ARC COMMITTEE:

DIRECTOR	MRS. PAT MILLER
MEMBER #1	LARRY GREER
MEMBER #2	REV. LARRY POWERS
MEMBER #3	MARY ALICE WITHERSPOON
MEMBER #4	SHERRY THOMPSON
MEMBER #5	REV. JIM KETNER

ASSOCIATIONAL HISPANIC COMMITTEE:

MEMBER #1	ENRIQUE SARALEGUI (HANK)
MEMBER #2	MRS. TONI SARALEGUI
MEMBER #3	REV. LAWRENCE GOODMAN
MEMBER #4	REV. KEN FURCHES
MEMBER #5	MRS. DEBBIE FISHEL
MEMBER #6	BOB NEAVES
MEMBER #7	REV. JESUS PADILLA

Annuity Board Report
2000

The Annuity Office of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina in partnership with the Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention provides services related to retirement planning, financial support of ministers and other church employees, life and health insurance programs, and church/clergy tax issues. During this past year numerous conferences, consultations, etc. were conducted to service our churches and church employees related to these issues. Education continues to be a number one priority since so many people do not participate in the plans simply because they are not aware of the great benefits.

On January 1, 2000, the Annuity Board began offering The Ministers' Annuity Plan. This new product is particularly designed for the minister who has self-employment income from performing services (i.e. weddings, funerals, revivals, writing) as a Southern Baptist minister, and others who may not qualify for one of the other Annuity Board retirement plans. Eligibility can be determined by contacting the Annuity Board's customer service area.

The Southern Baptist Convention in annual session in June, 2000, approved changes to the Annuity Board's Mission Statement and two new Ministry Assignments. The changes will now allow the Annuity Board to offer personal investing for Southern Baptist ministers and denominational employees and their spouses, and to assist churches and denominational entities by making available institutional investment services through cooperative agreements with state Baptist foundations.

As of May 31, 2000, there were 4,561 active participants in the annuity retirement plan from 61% of our North Carolina churches. The money contributed by individuals, churches, and the matching contributions from the state convention is invested according to the individual participant's financial goals and risk tolerance with the overall aim to help participants ensure their security in old age. The number of persons in North Carolina receiving retirement benefits totals 2,807 with another 368 assisted through the Adopt An Annuitant and Relief ministries. Funds for supplemental assistance are provided from the Cooperative Program, the Retired Ministers' Support Fund, and the Adopt An Annuitant plan.

For more information related to Annuity Board products and services, call the Baptist State Convention at 1-800-395-5102 extension 174 or call the Annuity Board at 1-800-262-0511 or visit the Annuity Board Web site at www.absbc.org

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Serving Those Who Serve the Lord

Respectfully submitted,

Johnny Ross
SBC Annuity Representative

Report from Ashe Pregnancy Care Center
to the Ashe Baptist Association August 18-19, 2000

Deuteronomy 30:19 I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live.

Since our last report we have assisted some 700 clients, with 119 new clients; monitored 98 pregnancy tests. We have presented the gospel by tract or personal witness to 97% of our clients. We have had the privilege of leading two young clients to the Lord, prayed with many others regarding assurance of their salvation, and encouraged others to rededicate their lives to the Lord and 10 families are in churches.

The Lord has faithfully supplied us with the necessary diapers when we need them. It is amazing how the Lord can use diapers to save and change lives. A gospel tract is placed in each packet of 14. Heaven will only show the results of our diaper ministry.

We stepped out in faith and have hired a part-time assistant, Vera Zapcic. Vera is a member of Trinity Baptist along with her husband who is a Deacon and Pastor-on-Staff for the 40-60 age group. They teach one of the adult Bible classes and are part of the Ministry Team which includes counseling on a one-to-one basis. She had the opportunity of attending a pregnancy center directors' conference at Focus on the Family this year which was paid for by her Sunday School class. We have added a post-abortion healing Bible Study, Forgiven and Set Free and have had wonderful results. This is an ongoing ministry. We have started a one-on-one abstinence program for teens and we have a Bible Study on Tuesday for our clients and ladies in the community.

So many of you are a vital part of our ministry and we thank you for your faithfulness. We have really stepped outside of our comfort zone this year and spoken to many community agencies to let them know exactly where we stand on all the issues with which we deal. We believe just about everyone in Ashe County now knows we are a life-affirming ministry. We have government agencies sending us referrals. We do not accept any government funds which would bind us in presenting the salvation message. We rely strictly on the God's people for our funds.

Our goal this year is to have an abstinence presentation in the high school. We have a national speaker, Mike Long, who wants to come to Ashe Co. – we just need $5,000 for the entire program and a time schedule from the high school. We are prayerfully asking the Lord for a donation of $395.00 to buy an extensive set of videotapes to be used as training for our young, new moms who shy away from the hospital or health department programs but will come to the Center.

Our 24 hour hot line ministry will be in place September 1st. The ladies answering will have been trained in all areas of our ministry including post-abortion and abortion-minded clients. We have moved to a house located at 327 East Main Street, Jefferson, across from the Post Office. It is a safe place for our clients and we are asking the Father in faith and with expectation for this house as a permanent home for APCC.

Ashe Pregnancy Care Center is a mission field. If you have questions about what we do or say, please ask. If you are not supporting the Center, please come and visit us. We need your church's financial support! We realize abortion is a subject we would rather not discuss. But we also know it does not line up with God's word and it destroys lives. Please stand with us financially as we quietly change lives one at a time.

Vera and I want our testimony to be clear – Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior. We are chosen by our heavenly Father to affirm the value of human life and to take a bold stand on abortion. We want everything we do whether at the Center, in our churches, in our homes, to bring honor and glory to the Father.

Respectfully submitted,
Peggy Hoefl, Director
Chairman, Gary Shelton
Co-Chairman, Mark Scott

Board Members
Susan Shipe, Secretary
Dominick Gaetano
Doris Shelton, Treasurer
Helemarie Reavis
Kitty Lawrence

Ashe Really Cares
Report to the Association
1999/2000

I am very excited and pleased to report to you about Ashe Really Cares. God has blessed people so much though your response to the ARC's mission. We have seen a great need in Ashe County for such a mission as ours. People are hurting and in need of not only the physical things like food and clothing but they are in need of being spiritually lifted up.

Sincere thanks go to each church and individual that has contributed either money, food, clothing, or by volunteering. Without your support, we could not accomplish the things that we believe God wants us to do.

There are many needs that come throughout the Arc and we hope to make a difference in each person's life., by helping that person and becoming a friend.

Since the opening in May 1999, we have prepared 972 food boxes which help 2, 727 people. We have also been able to move furniture into the hands of people in need. We have helped in abusive situations by helping transport the victims to Oasis of Boone and helped a homeless couple by taking them also to Oasis.

We have spoken to 140 people at Ashe Services for Aging and have had the pleasure to talk to two WMU groups to tell people about what God is doing at the ARC.

We have purchased a used ambulance to help with the hauling of food from the Second Harvest Food Bank in Winston-Salem, and to move furniture. God has richly blessed the ARC and I ask that you remember the ARC in your prayers that we will continue to touch people's lives with God's love. Something special that we do here at the ARC is to share Christ with all who come in through prayer and the giving of Bibles, if there is not one in the home.

We would like to encourage you to come by and volunteer a few minutes of your time and receive a great blessing.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Miller,
Director of Ashe Really Cares

ASHE REALLY CARES
FINANCIAL REPORT
JULY 1, 1999 TO JUNE 30, 2000

DONATIONS:		EXPENSES:	
Ashe Baptist Assoc.- transfer	$3325.00	Rent	3300.00
Baptist State Convention	3000.00	Benevolent Fund- Electric	2775.01
Ashe Ministerial Association	62.07	Payroll - salary	2047.50
Buffalo Baptist	200.00	Vehicle purchase	2000.00
Calvary Baptist WMU	300.00	Electric bill for ARC	1189.79
Clifton Baptist	500.00	Food- groceries	943.29
Friendly Grove Baptist	1200.00	Benevolent Fund- Fuel Oil	649.97
Friendship Baptist	1000.00	Reimbursement- supplies	452.98
Fletcher Memorial Baptist	250.00	Benevolent Fund- Christmas	450.00
Midway Baptist	100.00	Insurance (Worker's Comp.)	334.00
Mission Home Baptist	600.00	Bills: Telephone	280.24
Mount Olive Baptist	300.00	Reimbursement: insurance	269.00
New River Baptist	2562.26	Bills: Water & Sewer	264.00
North Beaver Baptist	500.00	Office Equipment	247.59
Obids Baptist	108.45	Phone	218.53
Old Fields Baptist	500.00	Benevolent Fund- (Funeral)	200.00
Smethport Baptist	550.00	Benevolent Fund- Unassigned	200.00
Warrensville Baptist WMU	75.00	Reimbursement: Food	195.15
Williams Medical	105.74	Payroll: Federal W/H	(175.00)
		Sign	150.00
Individual Donations:	2632.16	Payroll: FICA W/H	(126.98)
		Benevolent Fund- House burned	100.00
TOTAL ARC DONATIONS:	**$17,870.68**	Benevolent Fund - Rent	100.00
		Benevolent Fund - Travel Exp.	100.00
		Benevolent Fund - Shoes	53.00
		Bank Charges - Check order	51.25
		Postage	39.60
		payroll & State W/H	(35.84)
		Keys made	35.30
Respectfully submitted,		Bank Charges (Excess W/D)	31.35
		Payroll: Medicare W/H	(29.68)
		Reimbursement: Gas	20.00
Terri Shatley,		Supplies	2.12
Treasurer, Ashe Really Cares			
		TOTAL EXPENSES:	**$16,332.17**

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association
Baptist Campground Report

The Ashe Baptist Campground Committee has been hard at work on improvements at the campground this year. Several meetings have been held to discuss various repairs and updates to the building and grounds for our facility.

This year we have completed construction of the new picnic shelter, had dirt spread in various areas,removed brush and trees, sowed grass, put in drain pipes for and down spouts, replaced loose shingles, repaired guttering and various other small repairs around the Mattie Parsons Memorial Building. Also, holes have been filled in to smooth out the yard, mulch spread, and doors and lights have been repaired. Plans have been made to reshingle the Ray Minton cabin, pour concrete at the old shelter, and add fill-in dirt and grass this area.

We would like to express our appreciation to the Ashe Baptist Association for continuing to financially support the camp, making it available for all of our churches and groups to use. A special thank you to Tim Church for assisting with monitoring the water system to assure safe water for everyone. Thanks are also due to Ronnie Hopkins for serving as Treasurer for the camp and all his hard work in maintaining the books. We greatly appreciate the commitment and hard work of Ms. Ann Eldreth who checks the camp after each use and does any needed cleaning. She does a great job and makes sure that the facility is clean and ready for the next group. Be sure to thank each of these folks when you see them for a job well done.

We thank God for his blessings on the camp and for providing financial assistance and support through the churches. Our churches have taken care of the grass mowing as well. To everyone, who does their part to keep the Campground a beautiful place to visit, worship, and fellowship.... we thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold Jordan,
Chairman, Campground Committee

Note from the Director of Missions:
Maintenance for the facility is provided by Harold Jordan, who has also done a wonderful job this year. God bless you for all you do!

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

FINANCIAL REPORT
ASHE BAPTIST SUMMER CAMP
JULY 1, 1999 - JUNE 30, 2000

RECEIPTS:

Bald Mountain Baptist Church	240.00
Big Flatts Baptist Church	50.00
Big Laurel Baptist Church	60.00
Blue Ridge Baptist Church	50.00
Clifton Baptist Church	100.00
Friendly Grove Baptist Church	300.00
Friendship Baptist Church	500.00
Grassy Creek Baptist Church	180.00
Healing Springs Baptist Church	60.00
Laurel Knob Baptist Church	50.00
Mission Home Baptist Church	375.00
Liberty Grove Baptist Church	300.00
New River Baptist Church	531.14
North Beaver Baptist Church	100.00
Old Fields Baptist Church	100.00
Orion Baptist Church	125.00
Pleasant Home Baptist Church	50.00
Round Knob Baptist Church	200.00
Tuckerdale Baptist Church	300.00
Roten reunion	150.00
Ray Jordan	25.00
Kimberlyn reunion	57.00
Smith reunion	44.40
Pinkie Cochran	10.00
Skyline- Capital credit	34.31
Anonymous donor	300.00
Elah Baptist Church	90.00
Cash- unknown	55.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS: **$4436.85**

DISBURSEMENTS:

Blue Ridge Electric	1905.28
Skyline Telephone	279.79
Ann Eldreth	1260.00
High Country Improvements	1300.15
Ashe County Builders Supply	2418.46
Rose's Stores	83.73
Water Tech labs, Inc.	150.00
Shatley Electric Co.	534.00
Barr Insurance Agency	504.00
Sheets Brothers, Inc.	282.00
Marie Jordan	70.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS: **$8813.41**

BALANCE ON HAND: **$1034.13**

Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina

"Quality Service Through Quality Relationships" is not just a slogan. It is a foundational statement of philosophy. In our ministry, relationships are everything — relationships with children, with families, with placement agencies, with our own families and churches, and with each other. We are blessed by God in this work because we honor God in relationships.

During the QSTQR emphasis, all BCH staff at every ministry point have made extra efforts to strengthen relationships with the people we encounter. We have incorporated the terms quality, service and relationships into a plan of action. We have reflected our desire for quality relationships in everything we do in order to deliver quality services that change lives. QSTQR, celebrating the mission . . . the millennium . . . the ministry, was BCH's theme from Easter, 1999 through Thanksgiving, 2000.

Through Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina, hundreds of children and families are given new hope for their futures. . .

Children like Linda and her two younger sisters. Linda feared for their well being. It was her responsibility to care for her sisters. Linda remembers moving to a shelter where she finally felt they were safe; there was enough food for the sisters and warm beds. The three children were later placed at BCH. Now, Linda is in a place where others care for her. Linda has discovered God cares for her, too.

The McDonalds found the challenge of being a blended family difficult at times. Their son began to exhibit anger toward his parents. He would challenge their authority and began getting in trouble with some neighborhood kids. The situation was getting out of control. Corey's parents called BCH, where they a found a staff willing to embrace their family with hope. Today, Corey has begun to deal with his anger, mistrust and behavior issues. His parents are learning how to better communicate with each other and with Corey.

During the past year, BCH served 1800 children and families through 13 facilities statewide. BCH operates residential campuses in Thomasville, Pembroke, Kinston and Clyde; a maternity home in Asheville; a teen mother/baby home in Lenoir; values change homes for girls in Franklin and Lenoir; therapeutic camping for boys in Cameron; emergency care cottages at the residential campuses and in Waynesville and Asheville; and a model day care center in Thomasville.

In 2000, BCH began a new, innovative ministry caring for developmentally disabled adults and their families. Our Trustees unanimously approved a major undertaking this year by committing more than $3.5 million to replace, repair, construct and make-much needed improvements at every BCH location. Most of the work is complete. You are invited to visit our cam-

puses and other facilities to see first hand the difference you are helping us to make.

The commitment to quality has been a cornerstone of this institution since its beginning. **"Quality Service Through Quality Relationships"** was a 20-month public demonstration of this cornerstone. The emphasis places top priority on relationships to achieve the highest quality of service possible. Significant growth has been realized during this period. BCH has dedicated new structures at Odum Home, Cameron Boys Camp, Kennedy Home, Broyhill and Mills Home campuses and added new work in Waynesville and Asheville as well as Moody Home, Care House, Noel Group Home. Several significant anniversaries have been observed: the 85th of Kennedy Home in Kinston, the 30th of Baptist Maternity Home in Asheville, the 20th of Cameron Boys Camp, the 40th annual Western Area Conference, and the 115th anniversary of Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina.

To help commemorate BCH's 115th anniversary and to celebrate the impact QSTQR has had on staff and children, approximately 600 children, administrators, childcare workers, social workers and staff were brought together June 28, 2000 from around the state for a day of inspiration, fellowship, food and fun. **"The Family Gathering"** was held at Mills Home where BCH began in 1885. This is the first time all the Baptist Children's Homes' "family" have been together at the same place and at the same time.

Baptist Children's Homes QSTQR emphasis will culminate at Thanksgiving. We invite you to attend BCH's 30 minute presentation at the 2000 annual meeting of the Baptist State Convention in Winston-Salem on Tuesday, November 14, 2000 at 2:10 pm. We encourage you to be part of our ambitious $1 million Thanksgiving Offering goal. That number may seem enormous, but there is also enormous need. For all the good North Carolina Baptists are doing to help children and families, there is still so much that needs to be done. We are confident our churches will help us meet this important goal!

The support of North Carolina Baptists through the Thanksgiving Offering, Cooperative Program, and individual gifts, memorials, honors, bequests and estate gifts help enable us fulfill our mission statement: **"helping hurting children . . . healing broken families."**

North Carolina's **"largest family"** is grateful to North Carolina Baptists for prayers and support. To secure a video or a speaker for your church, or for information about our services, please call (336) 474-1209.

Michael C. Blackwell, President
Ward F. Mullis, Chairman, Board of Trustees

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST FOUNDATION, INC.
1999 ANNUAL REPORT

The mission of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation since its inception in 1920 has been to assist the Convention and its institutions and agencies in increasing an awareness among North Carolina Baptists of Christian estate stewardship principles as a means of financially undergirding churches, institutions and mission endeavors on a permanent basis. The uniqueness of the ministries and services provided by the institutions and General Board staff merits increased financial support. The Foundation accomplishes these objectives by offering assistance in estate planning counsel, Will preparation, planned giving, charitable remainder trusts, endowment funds and church fund management.

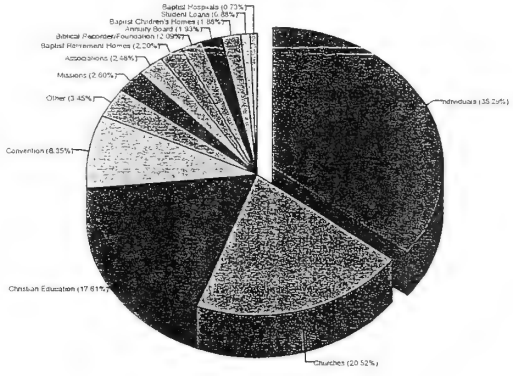
During 1999, the Foundation provided assistance to individuals in establishing 20 endowment funds and 12 charitable remainder trusts totaling $3.8 million and received $2.8 million in contributions to existing endowments all of which will ultimately benefit countless Baptist causes on a permanent basis. Programs were provided for 122 churches and associations during the year to promote Make Your Will Month, Christian estate stewardship, and church fund management. Over $3 million from churches and institutions came under management to enhance numerous ministries including scholarships, building funds, cemetery funds, benevolence funds, general operating funds and other various mission causes.

The Foundation employs professional money managers to invest these funds according to an investment policy adopted by its Board. Four investment pools are offered: a growth fund, a balanced fund, an income fund and a fixed income fund. The Foundation uses the services of Salomon Smith Barney to help select top money managers and evaluate performance.

As of December 31, 1999, the Foundation held $93,355,200 under management. This is an increase of more than $12.5 million over 1998. During 1999, $1,864,044 was distributed to individuals and $3,418,543 to Baptist work for a total distribution of $5,282,587. During the 80-year history of The North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc., $16,081,204 has been distributed to individuals and $25,723,551 to Baptist churches, institutions and mission causes for a grand historical total of $41,804,755.

Terry Alford, Chair, Board of Directors
M. Clay Warf, Executive Director

The North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc.
1999 Distributions



Meeting the Challenges of Health Care

2000 Report to the Associations

"Touching Lives With Hope"

HOSPITAL CONTINUES THE MISSION

In May of 2000 The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Inc. celebrated 77 years of regional, national, and international service. During these years the hospital has been faithful to the initial vision of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. When the hospital opened the convention stated the reason for doing so was: to extend the healing ministry which was demonstrated by Jesus Christ. Many challenges have been faced through these years, but the commitment to compassionately strive for innovative excellence has remained the same.

BAPTIST BENEVOLENT CARE FUND

Baptist churches from all across North Carolina joined us in mutual mission through the Mother's Day Offering. This annual ingathering of love was approved by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina in 1924. In 1999 the MDO amounted to $531,452. These funds were used exclusively to help patients who had minimal or no health care insurance and had no other financial means to pay their hospital bills. From the offering this past year, well over $200,000 was used to assist members of our Baptist churches in North Carolina.

SCHOOL OF PASTORAL CARE

During the year the Department of Chaplaincy and Pastoral Education provided worship services in Davis Chapel on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday as well as services in the J. Paul Sticht Center. Chaplain supervisors, residents and interns made more than 50,000 ministry contacts last year. The Department's fully accredited Clinical Pastoral Education program graduated 65 students.

The Department of Pastoral Counseling, CareNet, Inc., continues to develop its ministries. There are now 16 Christian counseling centers located across the state. The newest center is now open in Greenville and is the staging ground for serving northeast North Carolina. During the year these professionally staffed centers provided 27,293 hours of Christian counseling, making CareNet the largest pastoral counseling system in the United States.

The Center for Congregational Health, Inc. continues to develop its mission of helping congregations become healthier communities of faith. **Programs and assistance** offered to churches include Intentional Interim Ministry, strategic planning, staff and team development, and conflict management. **Resources for ministers** include: Young Leaders Program, Leadership Development Group, Interim Ministry Training, and Intentional Interim Ministry training. The Center has served an average of 21 North Carolina Baptist congregations a month during the past year.

FACTS ABOUT WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY BAPTIST MEDICAL CENTER

With more than 9,600 employees, we are the largest employer in Forsyth and Guilford counties.

A Certificate of need was granted for a 47,000 square foot Downtown Health Plaza to be built replacing the Reynolds Health Center, which provides health care for underserved people in Forsyth and surrounding counties.

Building strong relationships with the community is important to us. A recent survey indicates that Medical Center employees donate more than 30,000 hours of volunteer service a year to more than 300 different organizations in our area.

Construction has begun on a 350,000 square foot addition atop Ardmore Tower. This will provide more space for Brenner Children's Hospital as well as additional operating suites and private patient rooms.

ADDITIONAL POINTS OF EMPHASIS AND PROGRESS

New Dental Program For Indigent Children - Baptist Hospital has become a major participant in a community partnership to provide dental care for indigent children. NCBH opened a dental clinic on May 8, 2000, where three dentists are treating hundreds of children who previously had little or no access to dental services. Children who had known dental pain as a way of life, or who never had routine services because their parents could not afford it, are now being treated.

Physician Excellence - In 1999, 600 physicians in North Carolina were listed among "The Best Doctors in America". 95 are WFUBMC physicians.

Nursing Excellence - Baptist Hospital was one of the first hospitals in the nation to receive Magnet Recognition for Excellence in Nursing, demonstrating exemplary nursing leadership and quality patient care from the American Nurses Credentialing Center, the nation's leading nursing credentialing organization.

Ranked Among The Nation's Best - North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Inc., continues to be ranked among America's best hospitals in ten of 16 specialties, according to rankings published in the July, 2000 issue of *U.S. News & World Report*. This ranking reflects the reputation of specialists at NCBH as seen by their peers across the nation.

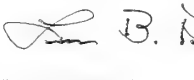
Newest Treatment For Epilepsy - Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center offers a new treatment for epilepsy - a "pacemaker for the brain" that can help control seizures in patients who are not helped by medication and are ineligible for surgery.

Information And Appointments - For more information or to make an appointment with a physician, contact HEALTH-ON-CALL at 1(800)-446-2255 or 336-716-2255.

A CLOSING WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

From its dedication on May 28, 1923 to the present, North Carolina Baptist Hospital has been committed to our mission of providing the highest quality health care to our patients and their families in a compassionate, caring manner. This report reflects how our mission and values of excellence, compassion, innovation, and integrity are lived out every day. As a Medical Center we continue to be one of the leading research centers in the United States. We provide a wide array of comprehensive health care, across the spectrum of life, to people with the most severe medical conditions. Most importantly, this care is provided one person at a time in a way that reflects the Spirit of Christ, whose healing ministry forms our very foundation.

Respectfully submitted,



Len B. Preslar, Jr.
President
The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated

Baptist Retirement Homes: "A Half-Century of Service"

For almost 50 years, the front porch has been a favorite spot of residents and guests at The Taylor House in Albemarle. This residence is an assisted living community made possible by the gifts of North Carolina Baptists.

In March 2001, the Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina will celebrate 50 years of service to Older Adults. It has been a wonderful half-century, and the "Homes" is thankful for the privilege of sharing in the life journeys of thousands of "Aging Saints."

The quality of life the "Homes" has brought to these Older Adults has been its best measure of success as it has helped ensure that residents live out their lives with autonomy, dignity, and comfort. The "Homes'" dream is to make life for North Carolina Older Adults what God intended it to be... "The Best of Times."

The "Homes" corporation now owns and operates four retirement communities across the state: the Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston-Salem, a continuing care community offering independent living, assisted living and nursing care; the Western North Carolina Home in Asheville, a community that offers assisted living and nursing care; and the Hamilton Home in Hamilton and The Taylor House in Albemarle, communities that offer assisted living services. Later this year the "Homes" will begin construction on a new community — The Gardens of Taylor Glen, a continuing care community near Concord.

The generous support the "Homes" has received from North Carolina Baptists has enabled it to make a unique promise to its residents: *whatever the future may hold, Baptist Retirement Homes will care for them for the rest of their lives.* Keeping this promise means overcoming many challenges. By 2020 North Carolinians past retirement age will make up 20 percent of the population. While medical science has prolonged life, the effects of aging are often intensified and extended over many years. Many Older Adults exhaust their personal resources and look to the "Homes" for significant financial assistance.

Still Baptist Retirement Homes stands ready to make good its promise of ongoing compassionate and quality care.

Whatever the future may hold, Baptist Retirement Homes will care for its residents for the rest of their lives.

Baptist Elder Care Network

A statewide system of resource counselors answering questions related to the needs of aging persons — A free service provided by Baptist Retirement Homes

1-800-887-7410

Associational Brotherhood Report

This has been a busy year for our men and boys of Ashe Baptist Association. In addition to our normal activities, our men (and ladies as well) traveled to the East Coast, some groups as many as five times to help repair homes that were damaged by Hurricane Floyd. Special thanks to the people of Ashe County for all the items donated for these people. Also thanks to the ones who volunteered their time and trucks to deliver these items to the East Coast.

Also, a number of church groups in our Association were involved in "Church to Family Partnerships " working one-on-one with individual families to provide assistance through prayer, rebuilding, and in other ways as agreed between the church and the "adopted" family. All of these efforts were part of the Hurricane Floyd Disaster Recovery program Baptist C.A.R.E. (Churches Assisting Recovery Efforts), administered by NC Baptist Men.

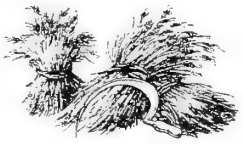
Please continue to pray for these people as the work continues to go on.

If your church is not involved in Brotherhood, allow me to share with you. If I can be of any help, please call me at 982-3316 or contact the associational office at 246-5631.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred Walters,
Associational Brotherhood Director

ASSOCIATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT
BIBLE TEACHING/REACHING



Today is an exciting time in the Sunday School ministry. There is much harvest ready to be gathered in, and Sunday School is the place to gather that harvest in.

Last fall, the resource team was ready to go to Caraway for training when the floods hit the East coast, canceling our training session.

We attended training in Greensboro in the early spring. Upon returning from the training, we had a Sunday School training for the Association at Fletcher Memorial Baptist Church. It was well attended with 19 churches represented, over 90 people present. We handed out survey sheets at this meeting to get an idea of your needs. The number one need as expressed in the survey was training on teaching methods.

We plan to attend the Resource Specialist Training in September on teaching methods. When we return, we will schedule a session for those desiring the training. This will be done some time in October or Early November. Watch the associational newsletter for more information on this.

Finally, brothers and sisters, let us continue the work of the Lord. Gather in the Harvest, teach them and baptize them. In so doing, we can fulfill the commission. Please continue to pray for Sunday School everywhere. And pray for the team, as they prepare to serve you in their work.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Jim Ketner
Associational Sunday School Director

BIBLICAL RECORDER

JOURNAL OF THE BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION OF NORTH CARO
P.O. Box 18808, Raleigh, North Carolina 27619

Tony W. Cartledge, Ph.D., Editor/President

Biblical Recorder Associational Report
June, 2000

Since 1833, the *Biblical Recorder* has served North Carolina Baptists as the official news journal of the Baptist State Convention. Founded by Thomas Meredith, the *Biblical Recorder* was owned and operated as a private enterprise until 1938, when the paper was purchased by and incorporated as an agency of the Baptist State Convention.

The *Biblical Recorder* promotes God's kingdom work in accordance with its mission statement: ***"Our Mission is to further Christ's kingdom among North Carolina Baptists by providing relevant news, insightful opinions and supportive resources in a timely and accessible fashion."***

As an agency belonging to all North Carolina Baptists, the *Biblical Recorder* provides balanced news coverage of Baptist news from throughout the state and reflects opinions representative of the diversity that is typical of our churches. The *Recorder* also includes periodic features designed to offer ideas, encouragement, and inspiration to readers.

In keeping with current needs, the *Biblical Recorder* maintains a frequently used site on the World Wide Web. This site (www.biblicalrecorder.org) offers Internet users an opportunity to read much of each paper's content several days before printed versions arrive. This is particularly helpful during convention meetings and at other times when frequent updates are desirable. As time and resources allow, additional features are being added to make the site an even more valuable source of information for North Carolina Baptists.

The *Biblical Recorder* works in partnership with the Baptist State Convention and receives annual support from Cooperative Program gifts as an agency of the Convention. This support makes it possible to offer the *Recorder* for just pennies per issue. The *Biblical Recorder* has not raised subscription rates in five years, but a string of steep postage hikes will almost certainly necessitate modest increases in subscription prices beginning in 2001.
Currently, the annual rates (including tax) are:

- Every Home Plan (20%+ of church families, paid through the church budget) - $7.42
- Club Plan (4 or more persons in a church subscribe together) - $8.48
- Individual Subscription - $10.60

Subscription packets and free sample issues are available. For more information, please contact:
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Ray Howell III, Chair, Board of Directors
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CHALLENGE 2000 REPORT

In October of 1999, the Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association approved a new mission entitled "CHALLENGE 2000". This project was shared from the heart of our Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn at that Executive Meeting. The vision statement of Challenge 200 is "To bring the message of Jesus Christ to every person in Ashe County in the next three years". The plan is simple... To pray for and to give a gospel witness to every dwelling place . Also, to pray for every unbeliever's salvation and to pray for every believer to become a witness.

These efforts are not to replace any individual church evangelism activity, but is to support churches to reach their God-given mission and to challenge all Christians to share Christ as never before.

A group of approximately sixty people have been meeting monthly to pray and to plan different activities to reach our goal. We have the following committees:

Prayer
Witness
Campus Ministry
Media Publicity
Mapping Center
Events
Budget/Finance

Some activities have already taken place. Lots of new activities are being planned such as the Challenge 2000 Revival scheduled for Friday, Sept. 8th through Monday, September 11th at the Friendship Baptist Church at 7:00 pm. The Mapping Center will be a tool that we will be using in the Ashe Baptist Association for many years to come. Consider becoming involved in Challenge 2000 if you are not already. God's work is being done and God has a place for you. An offering will be taken during the Saturday morning session of our Annual Meeting. At the present time, we have $3,882 in the bank to be used for Challenge 2000.

Please pray for Challenge 2000.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Dayton Roten

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Christian Action League of North Carolina
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ANNUAL REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS
2000

It is with humble gratitude that the Christian Action League of North Carolina serves the Lord Jesus Christ and the churches o great state as a Beacon of light, guiding referendums and legislation through the murky waters of special-interest groups and ating God's people about the moral problems in our state and nation. Our goal is to encourage and organize the people of God so ight will be seen brightly throughout our state; and when we speak, it will be in one accord and will resound loudly.

A. **Christian Values**

a. The Christian Action League again co-sponsored the Fifth Annual Christian Heritage Week of North Carolina held i March. It was our pleasure to provide awards for excellence to those high school students who won the essay contest America's Christian background.
b. CAL has continued to promote and distribute copies of the Ten Commandments throughout North Carolina. To date over 15,000 copies have been mailed.
c. Promoted awareness of worldwide persecution of Christians (particularly in Sudan) through email alerts and radio.
d. Participated with the American Family Association in distributing copies of our national motto posters "In God We Trust".
e. Joined with Family Life Ministries in promoting and distributing copies of the Marriage Covenant Certificates
f. Participated in the National Day of Prayer.
g. Set up CAL exhibit at Baptist State Convention and the East and West Districts of the Wesleyan Church conferences
h. Worked in the General Assembly to stop a bill that would allow physicians to take immediate custody of a child that they felt had been abused. The bill died in committee.

3. **Radio**

"Christians In Action", Station WAGO (88.7 FM) Snow Hill, started Monday, January 3, 2000. This broadcast consists o five-minute commentary on issues that affect our lives today. We will begin airing this program on Aug. 7 on New Bern (WAAE, 91.9 FM). Our projection is to ultimately reach the whole state.

C. **Gambling**

a. Video Poker Machines - The Christian Action League worked round the clock to get video poker banned in this state We failed getting the ban but were successful in getting SB 1542 to strengthen the law and restrict the operation and expansion of video gambling in the state. We will work vehemently next session in pushing for a ban.
b. Joined Christian Coalition in survey on how Gubernatorial candidates stood on lottery/released results in newsletter.
c. Next session the Christian Action League will be on the front line in the Legislature fighting a state-sponsored lottery

. **Abortion**

a. CAL has purchased the rights through donations of a surgical procedure on a 21-week old fetus that proves that partial birth abortion is murder. We want to see this picture used extensively in making our case for the pro-life agenda.
b. CAL participated in the Right to Life Rally held in Raleigh.

. **Alcohol**

a. Participated in four LBD campaigns since January 11, 2000, and there are three scheduled for a September referendum We help with their organizational meetings, rallies and providing educational materials.
b Worked in the General Assembly for passage of HB 1499-Interlock/Open Container law. This bill bans open alcohol containers in the passenger area of a motor vehicle on the highway or highway right-of-way The bill was ratified on July 13.

Pornography

Have produced and aired several radio programs to inform the public of the internet pornography crisis. Educate communities on how they can rid their neighborhoods of adult establishments.

Homosexuality

CAL monitors and informs the Christian community of the current homosexual agenda through our email alert.

ristian Action League of North Carolina produces a quarterly newsletter *The Beacon* that has a distribution of over 21,000 We nd out an email alert every Friday to over 150 members to keep them abreast of current moral, ethical and political issues that our state and nation. All services of the Christian Action League are provided at no charge. We depend on God's people to provid work.

Working For A Better North Carolina

verend Mark H. Creech
ecutive Director

Joe S. Lennon
President

ASHE COUNTY CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE REPORT

The Christian Action League is a voluntary organization composed of Christians and concerned citizens brought together to oppose the destructive influences in society that contribute to the low level public morality existing today. The CAL emphasizes the primary importance of spritual values in the development of the individual,the community and the nation as a whole. The League is dedicated to eliminating laws which allow for the sale of beverage alcohol,legalized gambling,pornography and other forms of vice which work to destroy the family.

The CAL of Ashe County urges individuals and churches to take a stand against the sale of alcoholic beverages and to the legalization of state sponsored gambling in North Carolina. Historian Edmund Burke said that evil will florish when good men do nothing.

The alcohol industry is pushing laws in the legislature that do not allow a vote on alcohol sales in the local community. Alcohol is currently being sold in Ashe county without a vote of the people. The is contrary to the local option provisions in the state law. How does the alcohol industry get by with this flagrant violation of the will of the people? They can accomlish this by contributing huge sums of money to political campaigns. We need to take a stand against this.

The status of video poker is now in front of our legislators.We urge you to contact our representatives to vote against legalized video poker.

The CAL neither endorses candidates nor politcal parties.

However, we do take strong stands against the sale of alcohol,state sponsored gambling ,pornography and the violence promoted by the media. We urge our friends to stand with us. We shall be asking for your help in the near future as we organize against a state wide lottery. We feel that the state does not belong in the gambling business and that gambling impacts on the poorest in society.

Additional goals for 2000-2001 include the following:

A. To promote strong families and morals in the community.

B. To lobby against state sponsored gambling.

C. To work to eliminate the sale of alcoholic beverages in Ashe County.

To achieve these goals,we need the active support of all Christians in Ashe County. We invite all like-minded citizens to join with us in promoting the highest standards of Christian morality in the lives of our people.

Respectively submitted,
Delmas Parker

Council on Christian Higher Education

Baptist State Convention of North Carolina

2000

Christian higher education represents one of our enduring values as North Carolina Baptists. From the founding of our Convention in 1830, we have supported Christian higher education. Our churches, associations, and state have benefited as a result.

Last year North Carolina Baptists provided special scholarship assistance to members from our churches who chose to attend one of our affiliated colleges or universities. Sixty-eight out of eighty associations were represented among the hundreds of students who received this special Convention sponsored scholarship assistance.

The institutions matched the Convention's support of these Baptists students through institutional support. For every dollar provided to students through the Cooperative Program, the institutions matched it with $2.50 of additional financial assistance. Forty-five percent (45%) of the on-campus student populations are Baptists.

In addition to support of undergraduates, North Carolina Baptists assisted 297 divinity school students last year. This financial assistance was made possible through churches giving through optional giving Plans B and C. Members from our churches who have sensed God's call upon their lives to serve as ministers or missionaries are eligible to receive a theological educational grant from the Convention.

If a student pursues their degree from the divinity schools at Gardner-Webb or Campbell, the student is eligible to receive a grant of $8,100. If a student pursues his or her theological education from other institutions, the student is eligible to receive a grant of $3,000 for their studies.

Reverend Shane Kirby recently graduated from the M. Christopher White School of Divinity at Gardner-Webb University. Upon graduation, Mr. Kirby said, *"I couldn't be more happy that I was able to obtain my master's at a North Carolina Baptist institution. I look at it like the Baptists of this state invested in me. Now, I feel a sense of responsibility to the good people of my denomination to serve them."*

North Carolina Baptists can take pride in graduates, like Mr. Kirby, who want to serve our Lord and his churches in North Carolina.

Without the faithful support of the Cooperative Mission Budget of the Baptist State Convention, opportunities for our members to attend Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill or Wingate would not be possible.

Thank you North Carolina Baptists for your continued support of Christian higher education in our state.

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Ashe Baptist Association
Report of the
Director of Missions

" Where there is no vision, the people perish". The words of **Proverbs 29:18** still ring true :oday. God's word is alive and so are the churches of the Ashe Baptist Association. The asso-:iational office's purpose is to help churches that are members of the association. Other :hurches and organizations receive assistance as time allows with priority given to the Ashe 3aptist Association. Organizations within our association are functioning well and our :hurches are very much alive. As people of our churches have visions of what God would 1ave them do, we see churches very much at work for the cause of Christ.

'ogether we are meeting the needs of folks in Ashe County and around the world. The Baptist 3tate Convention of North Carolina and the Southern Baptist Convention are helping Ashe \ssociation to accomplishment the **Visions** that God has give us. The 21st century belongs to 10se who are proactive and to those whose world is not moving away from them but toward 1em. "To learn and to relearn" is our challenge. We are stretching and reaching as never be-)re. **(Phil 3:14)** Let us choose to build, as we preserve our heritage. We must continue the /ork, **vision** must continue but we must stay anchored by God in Heaven through his word. Ve do not need to change for the sake of changing, for some folks are drowning in change 'hile others never change. I feel that we may change as time goes on but the word of God will ever change!

hank you for your prayers, your encouragement, and your financial support. I strive to help .e people of Ashe County know Christ as never before. Without your help I cannot do this ork which you and I partner together to accomplish. The following is a portion of the work at is accomplished by this partnership:

Drove 12,125 miles
Assisted Hispanic Church
Assisted Ashe Really Cares
Assisted Challenge 2000
Assisted Dental and Medical Missions
Assisted Churches in Hurricane Floyd Disaster relief
Upgraded office equipment
Prepared 850 Minute Books
Prepared 200 Book of Reports
Prepared 630 Newsletters Monthly
Mailed numerous cards and letters to pastors and folks as needed (to include E-mail and faxes)
Submitted Church announcements to Jefferson Post Community Calendar weekly

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

DOM Report Continued

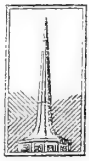
- Conducted radio program weekly on WKSK (Ashe Baptist Associational News)
- Conducted Bible Studies for 13 weeks in 3 churches
- Shared "The Thought For The Day" for one week every 2 months on WKSK.
- Provided pulpit supply as needed
- Assisted pastors in 6 Revivals
- Participated in Middle School Career Day
- Participated in Prayer Breakfast for Ashe County Schools
- Met with Associational Committees as needed
- Supervised staff of Ashe Baptist
- Provided 520 hours of counseling
- Visited in our churches 105 times to preach, teach, conduct meetings ,etc.
- I have visited all of our churches and plan to visit all churches again this year as time permits. This will be an on going activity for me as DOM.
- Worked with : (in county and out of county)
  VBS Clinic, Sunday School Clinic, Key Leadership Conference, North American Mission Board Conference (ABLE) Knoxville, Tenn, Camp Caraway Conferences, Conferences at Baptist State Convention in Cary, Ridgecrest Conference Center, Appalachian Regional Ministry
- Assisted with:
  Ashe Pregnancy Care Center, School Based Health Center, Partnership for Children (Smart Start), Ashe Ministerial Alliance, Family Central, FEMA and Ashe County 4-H

The Associational Office has upgraded it's equipment with a new digital copier, a scanner and Mapping Center Software which will help us for years to come. New signs show the way to the office on Dogwood Road. Trees which were a danger to the parsonage were cut this year and the outside of the parsonage has received a new coat of paint.

I thank the Lord for all the work that is being done for Christ. May we re-vision together and continue to do God's bidding one day at a time in His perfect will.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. David Blackburn
Director of Missions



FRUITLAND
Baptist Bible Institute
Route 2, Box 116 • Hendersonville, NC 28792

Fruitland Facts

eneral Description-Since 1946, Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute has been dedicated to the purpose of training adults lled to church related vocations. In the beginning, it was primarily a "preacher's school" for mountain pastors who rved small churches without much formal training for the task.

ruitland grew gradually to become a year-round operation; but its purpose remained constant. Fruitland concentrates providing tools for practical ministry. The devotional atmosphere provided by dedicated faculty, students and spiring chapel programs, makes the campus very conducive to study and christian growth. The Institute is owned and erated by the North Carolina Baptist State Convention as an agency of the General Board.

udents-Almost 200 students from five states attend Fruitland with an average age of 35. Approximately half of the idents live on campus and the other half commute to campus. About one third of the students are currently serving urches in a staff position.

ampus-The campus is comprised of approximately 27 rolling acres located near Hendersonville, NC, in the beautiful ue Ridge Mountains. The well kept campus is close to the airport and city conveniences, but it is in a rural setting. e Ester Satterfield Building houses the cafeteria and the campus bookstore. The Carl E. Bates Building houses the rmitory for students and apartments for couples. The Crouch building houses the chapel, library and most of the assrooms. Other campus structures include the Davis Prayer Chapel, the guest house for visitors and staff, the esident's home; the maintenance shop; and apartments and mobile homes for families.

culty-Includes 26 members, all are current or retired practitioners who have over 700 years preaching experience mbined. Interaction with students both in and out of the classroom is a priority. The emphasis is on intellectual and iritual development with a Biblical basis. The head, heart and hands are coupled together to be a force of God.

missions-Admission is based on your application, verification from formal and informal sources in regards to nversion, call, lifestyle, as well as references from pastor, friends and your church. Interviews are encouraged and ailable Monday-Friday when school is in session. Your completed application/references will be reviewed and you ll be notified within two weeks whether or not you have been accepted for admission.

urses-Christian Counseling, Christian Education, Church Administration, Church History, Clinical Pastoral ucation, Discipleship, English Composition, English Grammar, Evangelism Ethics, Hermeneutics, Homiletics, erature, Missions, Music, New Testament, Old Testament, Pastors Leadership Class, Psychology, Reading, Research, pervised Ministry, Theology, Computers for Ministry Support and Youth Education. A total of one hundred twenty-ee credit hours are offered with an Associate Degree of Religion/Church Ministry.

st-Tuition is $155 for North Carolina Baptist, $190 for Non-Baptist and out of state students per quarter. Dormitory oms are $160 and meals are $275 per quarter. Books are an additional cost.

Fruitland....Where Preaching Is Our Passion

Taking Jesus to the World....
Friendship Baptist Guatemala Mission Team

On July 7, 2000 12 members of Friendship Baptist Church embarked on a 10 day mission trip to Huehuetenango, Guatemala. The team participated in a volunteer trip coordinated through the International Mission Board and under the direction of IMB missionaries, Billy and Debbie Hurst. The Hursts work with 5 IMB journeyman and 9 Guatemalan Baptist missionaries known as "Gospel Saturators" who seek to saturate their assigned communities with the good news of Jesus Christ.

The Friendship team worked hand-in-hand with the Gospel Saturators as they made home visits within their communities. We were given the opportunity to encourage new believers, lead numerous Bible Studies, pray with the sick and hurting, and present the plan of salvation to numerous individuals. We gained a great appreciation for these young missionaries, as they must often walk several miles just to visit one family.

The Friendship team was also responsible for conducting worship services at several churches and had opportunities to preach, sing, give testimonies and lead in children's activities. A large portion of our trip was spent ministering within elementary schools. The team was allowed to present Bible stories, songs, and crafts in 3 different schools, allowing us to reach over 420 students. Many of these students were presented with Spanish New Testaments and heard the plan of salvation for the first time.

One of the most memorable experiences for the team was the opportunity to minister at Project Salvation, a shelter for abandoned children and the homeless. We saw children who were starved for affection and had the opportunity to share the love and forgiveness of Jesus with both prostitutes and drug users. We conducted a worship service at the mission with no electricity and only a few candles. We learned that the only power needed to worship is the power of the Holy Spirit!

The team was also enlisted to help with various construction projects and spent two days ministering at a huge fair being held in Huehue. We distributed tracts and Christian literature during parades through the center of town and operated a booth offering puppets, Spanish Veggie Tale videos, crafts, clowns, and Christian counseling.

This trip was an awesome example of how God uses people to accomplish work for His Kingdom. Each team member had unique gifts and talents that were used on this trip. We discovered the importance of prayer and are grateful for the over 150 prayer partners who faithfully lifted us up during our journey. We are especially thankful to each of you who offered your monetary support and gifts of supplies in helping to make this trip a reality.

This truly was a life-changing experience and a hallmark spiritual event for many of our team members. By looking into the faces of poor and hopeless Guatemalans, we discovered a new burden for the poor and hopeless people living in Ashe County. Our prayer is that this team will continue to be used by God to minister here in our own community.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Rexrode

HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY CHURCH

Report to Ashe Baptist Association
Annual Meeting, August 18-19, 2000

This has been an exciting year for Highlands Community. We had our first public worship service on Sunday, December 5th at the Ashe County High School. Our mission from God is to provide an atmosphere for genuine worship that meets our need to have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. We have prioritized Worship as one of our purposes. We seek to enable people to worship God with all their heart, mind, soul and strength—to create an environment in which people can personally and intimately connect with God to glorify, honor and bless Him. God has blessed us with wonderful, spirit filled worship leaders. Our music and worship is a blend of traditional and contemporary. We have studied the "*Mind Of Christ*" and "*Life in the Spirit*". These courses have helped us focus on being transformed to be like Christ and appropriate the power He gives us.

Another of our purposes is evangelism. We recognize our responsibility to share the good news of Jesus Christ with everyone. We have studied "*Share Jesus Without Fear*" and have looked at our unique gifts for ministry evangelism. We have conducted outreach events using tools provided by the North American Mission Board such as the "*Celebrate Jesus 2000*" tract. We have events planned for September and October to reach out to young adult couples and singles.

We have purposed to do discipleship. There has been significant spiritual growth and God has added numbers to the group willing to spend the time necessary to go further into relationship with Him. We meet each week for in depth Bible Study and prayer. In addition to the above-mentioned studies, we have done "*Jesus By Heart*", "*Disciple's Prayer Life*", "*Living God's Word*", "*Meeting Needs, Sharing Christ*", "*Experiencing God*", "*Old Testament Survey*", and others. It is our vision to have community groups meeting all during the week in homes.

We recognize God made us to be in relationships—with Himself and with other people. Fellowship is one of our five purposes. We seek to foster true community in the body of Christ. We believe that baptism is a symbol of following Christ and identifies us with a local body of Christ. Baptism into the fellowship is important to identifying with fellow believers.

At Highlands we seek to answer the question, "How are we as followers of Jesus Christ to carry out His mission? Ministry and Missions are a big part of who we are. We believe that when God reveals a need to us, He will enable us to meet that need. We have experienced that many times in our short life as a body of Christ. God has given us a vision for ministry and missions. With worship as our primary purpose, we will focus on ministry.

We are currently working with an architect in designing our facility. In addition to a worship center we are planning to provide a day care facility in our first phase. A youth center and senior adult ministry will be added in the second phase. Phase three will include an Institute for Equipping Laity, Phase four will provide a meditation, and prayer retreat facility and phase five will be a permanent sanctuary.

We ask that you remember us in your prayers. God has called us to a God sized task that only He can accomplish. Pray that we will be obedient to allow Him to work through us to accomplish His will. We are excited and praise Him for what He has done and we are more excited and praise Him for what He is going to do!

Respectfully submitted,

 Rev. Steve Witherspoon

HISPANIC BAPTIST MISSION "CRISTO EL SALVADOR"
JUNE, 1999 TO JUNE 2000

The Hispanic Baptist Mission "Cristo El Salvador" has had a Victorious year. The members of the mission all voted to pray every day for 15 minutes.

Sunday School at the mission begins at 10:00 am and the Sunday Preaching is at 11:00 am. Every Thursday, Pastor Jesus Padilla Nunez has Bible study and prayers. There are Bible studies at the homes of the members and at the home of Pastor Padilla. Pastor Padilla has visitation at the home of the members when it is needed and visits with them at the hospital. There are many services that are attended by those migrants who work with the Christmas tree industry. Many of these workers also come for help and counseling. Many brothers and sisters come from Wilkesboro, Watauga and Alleghany counties.

This year, the mission was visited by an evangelical group of young Baptist who journeyed on their Christmas mission to the U.S. from Argentina. Pastor Padilla hosted services from April 19 to April 25. This evangelist team consisted of 4 Argentineans, 2 Mexicans, and 1 Colombian. Their Christian ministry expertise is in puppetry, clowning, and pantomime. Many services were held at the various parks in Ashe County and Wilkes County.

The Hispanic Committee has met twice this year trying to assist the Pastor in his mission work. This year, 98 people have been saved. The Glory is to God.

Respectfully submitted,

Hank Saralegui,
Hispanic Committee

Annual Report from Medical Missions Ministry of Ashe
August 18, 2000

MMMA has continued to develop during the preceding year. We found the Migrant medical clinic taking place in the Hispanic Mission Church in West Jefferson was progressively underutilized and eventually became a medical opportunity predominantly for individuals from Wilkes County who typically had commercial medical insurance through a major employer in that county (usually Tyson)

This outcome did not meet our original mission of providing care for medically indigent Hispanic members of our community, nor did it help the growth of the Hispanic Mission Church in Ashe. Our volunteers have become more and more reluctant to volunteer their time away from their families as we missed our target so widely.

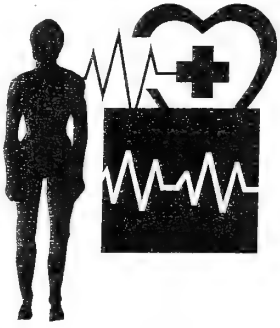
Our board has met several times this year to re-examine our mission and how it should be implemented. We still desire to provide another avenue for sharing the Gospel with those whom otherwise might not receive it. We believe our gift of service through medical care is still an appropriate method to attract people to the Light.

We have come to the following conclusions. First, there are still many uninsured people in Ashe County who would appreciate some form of medical assistance. We believe the Dental Bus has been a success and plan to continue the program this fall. We have decided to become "mobile" again and more able to respond to more acute medical needs as they arise. We are looking for a covered trailer to store our supplies and instruments. Finally, we are looking for mission opportunities. We are going to Montana in September to explore an opportunity for a continuing (annual) partnership on a northwestern MT reservation.

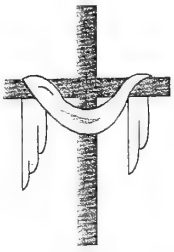
We are looking for opportunities locally to serve. Please contact Pastor Lawrence Goodman or myself if you have ideas or needs.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory S. Hershner, M.D.



Ashe Baptist Association
Moderator's Report



God is good, yes He is. He's good all the time. Our lives center around this truth. Whatever God deems good, is good, and whatever He condemns; from such, we should refrain.

We do not have the responsibility , not even the right, to condemn any of God's creatures for their failure to adhere to the good things. That's God's duty, while our s is, with loving kindness and forgiveness, to help that person understand their error and to help them to understand God's love, forgiveness, and desire to restore fallen man to right relations. All the while, we must be very careful not to give the impression we are condoning the sin. Such a fine line is drawn between condemning and condoning, that man is unable to follow that without God leading the way.

Such a commitment to a Christ-like life will always create an atmosphere of cooperation, fellowship and forgiveness.

I thank you all for the opportunity of serving the past two years as your moderator. I hope that I have been worthy of your trust and pray that God will bless you all according to his abundance.

God looked at his creation and said "It is good", therefore our task is simply to offer direction to that which we know is good. Only sin interferes. Only Christ provides a solution.

May you always know
God loves you,

Jerry Powers,
Moderator

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MISSION PROGRAMS BY THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Whereas, the Ashe Baptist Association recognized a need for missions within the Association to serve people in need, to provide a church for the Hispanic population of the area, and to set long-range goals to reach unchurched people.

Whereas, pastors and churches responded to this need and with prayer and dedication set out to provide the things to get these missions under way and to provide a meaningful service to many people.

Whereas, the success of these missions to this point have been the dedication and hard work of the key people invisible, behind the scenes and to the Director of Missions- Rev. David Blackburn, Rev. Jesus Padilla- Pastor, and Ashe Really Cares Director - Mrs. Pat Miller.

Therefore, the Ashe Baptist Association expresses its strong support for these missions, and for their continuation and success in the future, these three being the Hispanic mission, Ashe Really Cares, and Challenge 2000.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

BE IT RESOLVED, that the one hundred and fourteenth annual meeting of the Ashe Baptist Association expresses its gratitude to the Liberty Grove Baptist Church and to the Tuckerdale Baptist Church for hosting this years' annual meetings, for the use of your church and facilities for a meeting place and especially for the hard work in preparing meals for everyone.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we appreciate the hard work of our Director of Missions Rev. David Blackburn, our Clerk Sherry Severt, our Treasurer Linda Blevins, our Moderator Rev. Kershaw Getty, and our Vice-Moderator Jerry Powers.

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED that we will (each of us) continue to constantly pray for the Ashe Baptist Association, our Baptist State Convention and our sister churches as we work together to spread the message of our Lord to the uttermost parts of the earth.

Respectfully submitted
Charles L. King

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS:

On hand July 1, 1999	36,705.25	
Ashe Really Cares	13,502.53	
Hispanic Missions	10,566.23	
Home Missions	63,010.97	
Interest Income	1,161.61	
Reimbursed Minute Books	2,206.94	
Sales Tax Refund	385.87	
State Missions Offering	750.25	
Anonymous Donations (net)	1,653.87	
BALANCE ON HAND AND RECEIVED		129,943.52

DISBURSEMENTS:

ACTeam	768.50	
Ashe Really Cares (Offset by donations)	9,596.04	
Associational Calendar	400.00	
Automobile Expense (Clerk/Treasurer)	200.00	
Director of Missions-Wages	35,000.00	
Discipleship Training	600.00	
Evangelism	1,200.00	
Hispanic Minister-House rental	2,800.00	
Hispanic Minister-Wages	4,250.00	
Hispanic Minister-Taxes	417.06	
Hispanic Ministry-Expenses (Offset by offerings)	7,517.95	
Key Leadership	166.44	
Miscellaneous (Expenses of $1811.29 offset by private $)	500.00	
Minute Books (Offset by amounts from Churches)	2,206.94	
Office Equipment (Total expenses of $1933.83 less private $	1,000.00	
Postage/Mailing	2,206.80	
Printing & Supplies	2,138.25	
Repairs & Maintenance (Offset by donations)	5,350.00	
Secretarial Help	8,046.00	
Taxes	753.22	
Treasurer/Clerk	1,800.00	
Vacation Bible School	548.88	
Youth Council	1,200.00	
TOTAL AMOUNT PAID OUT		88,666.08
Balance on hand June 30, 2000		$41,277.44

Balances in funds

Ashe Really Cares	3,906.49	
WMU	309.96	
Anonymous Fund	1,653.87	
Fund for Jesus Padilla, Jr. education	651.00	
General Fund/Savings	34,756.12	
Total all funds		$41,277.44

VBS 2000: The Fantastic Good News Ocean Odyssey

Over the past few years in VBS, we have learned about God's presence in the far reaches of outer space and have climbed to extreme mountain heights to learn more about Jesus. So it seemed only fitting that this year we would plunge to the bottom of the ocean to discover truths about God's faithfulness. Our theme for 2000 was **"The Fantastic Good News Ocean Odyssey"** and it was a fabulous underwater adventure!

Scuba gear in hallways, seaweed and fish hanging from ceilings and lots of ocean accessories on floors and walls could be seen throughout many churches in Ashe County this summer. All of the decorations have now been taken down, but the impact of VBS can still be felt in our community.

At this year's Associational Clinic participants were encouraged to dive deep into VBS. We learned that any VBS can be a blessing, but each new depth will bring greater results to your church, your ministry, and the cause of Christ. So how did your church do this year?

Did you make a SPLASH by having a great Bible study event for kids of all ages in your church? If so, the depth was BENEFICIAL!

Did you SNORKEL in VBS by making it THE outreach event for your church this year? If so, the depth was EXPANDING!

Did you DIVE into VBS by using it as a prospect discovery and enrollment tool? If so, the depth resulted in CHURCH GROWTH!

Did you begin to EXPLORE new friendships and strengthen existing relationships within your church body? If so, the depth was STRONG FRIENDSHIPS, FAMILIES, and CHURCH!

Did you DISCOVER TREASURE by using VBS as an evangelistic tool to help people on a life-long excursion with Christ. If so, you discovered that the deepest depth of VBS is ETERNAL!!

My prayer is that eternal results from VBS were discovered all over Ashe County this year. The challenge now is to continue to dive deep into discipleship and Sunday School so that these new converts can experience true spiritual growth.

Thanks to everyone who participated in reaching our community for Christ through VBS. VBS can be a long and exhausting week of church ministry, but the results of your efforts will be fully realized when we are with our Lord in heaven!

In Service to Him,

Amy Rexrode
Associational VBS Director

2000 VBS Scripture:

"Thy faithfulness is unto all generations."
Psalm 119:90

Each year God blesses us with a wonderful Associational VBS team. The following team members faithfully gave of their time and talents to help spread the good news of Jesus by providing training workshops for our VBS directors and teachers:

Younger/Middle Preschool	Teshia Dillard	Laurel Knob
Older Preschool	Nancy Watson	Trinity
Younger Children	Heather Vannoy	Orion
Middle Children	Sonya Vannoy	Bald Mountain
Older Children	Vickie Young	Pleasant Home
Youth	Rev. Mark Davis	Bald Mountain
Adults	Rev. David Blackburn	Healing Springs
Director/Pastor	Amy Rexrode	Friendship
Crafts	Angel Brewer Linda Clark	Friendship Midway

2000 VBS REPORT

VBS information has been received from the churches listed below. We would like to have a completed VBS report from every church in the Association if possible.

Church Name	Total Enrollment	Decisions to Accept Christ	VBS Mission Offering
Bald Mountain	198	7	$543.00
Big Flatts	37	0	$120.00
Bristol	128	11	$319.05
Buffalo	46	4	No Report
Friendly Grove	123	1	$206.77
Friendship	191	10	$248.00
Healing Springs	70	0	$131.96
Landmark	97	0	$152.75
Laurel Knob	34	0	$34.88
Little Helton	33	0	$88.00
Midway	70	6	No Report
Mt. Olive	59	0	$290.03
New River	87	0	$231.25
North Beaver	109	5	$654.00
Obids	55	0	$200.00
Phoenix	123	0	$172.00
Pleasant Home	61	2	$246.30
Round Knob	42	1	$198.17
Trinity (Spring)	73	5	$480.00
Trinity (Summer)	231	12	$700.00
Tuckerdale	101	0	$238.78
Wagoner	30	0	$104.00
Warrensville	154	0	$227.90
Welcome Home	139	1	$281.10

Ashe Baptist Association
Women's Missionary Union
1999/2000

As the Woman's Missionary Union adopted the emphasis "Transformed: Take the stand", for 1999-2000, we saw many women across Ashe County taking a stand. The WMU theme for this past year has been "Grow in spiritual power and go make disciples of all people". The emphasis and theme encouraged women to band together in a local church to work together to spread the gospel under the organization of WMU to **do together** what individuals **cannot do alone.** The different age groups of adults as well as the youth and children's groups within a church add tremendous support to and enhance the total missions efforts within that church.

Woman's Missionary Union within a local church should:

- Challenge the church to live out the biblical concept of radical Christianity
- Lead individuals to be dynamic, relevant, caring witnesses to a lost and needy world.

22 churches in the Ashe Baptist Association reported having a WMU during the year 1999-2000 calendar year. My prayer is that during the upcoming year, existing WMU's will gain strength and expand and that new WMU's will begin in churches that don't already have a ladies organization that supports missions.

My God bless you richly as you work in WMU during the upcoming year.

Yours in Christ,

Linda Blackburn,
Associational WMU Director

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONAL YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT 1999/2000

When Y2K arrived in Ashe County, it was great to know that the saving power of Jesus was still here and alive.

The Youth Council worked this past year with the Ashe County Youth Ministries Association to help support the Celebration 2000 Youth Event held on New Year's Eve at Ashe County High School. Many lives were changed at this event by the wonderful power of Christ.

I would like to thank all the churches and concerned Christians that have supported the work of the Youth Council and also all the members that have so faithfully gave their time to help with the activities this year.

Keep all the youth of Ashe County and this council in your prayers, that we may always keep God's will first in all we do.

Respectfully submitted,

Karlton Yearick, Chairman
Youth Council

Associational Music Committee Report

As another year has gone by, there have been some good things that have happened in our music department in our Association. We formed a choir to sing in our yearly Association Meeting, and they did a wonderful job at this. Their voices blended well together , and their hearts burned from within as they sang great songs like, "I'm Getting Ready to Leave This World," along with other great music.

We are trying to put together a Summer Music Camp for all boys and girls in our Association. To be held at the Ashe Baptist Campground. This will take a lot of praying and preparation as well.

We are trying to get as many of our churches in our Association involved in our singings as we can . We had a great group to come and to sing at the New Year's Eve Kickoff, and they were received very well.

We just praise the Lord for allowing us to get started in a small way, working with all the churches in our association. You and your church are needed to get involved in these and other events, for without you and your involvement there will be no need of our Association Musical Dept. Please serve actively in the months ahead in this ministry.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Wayne Osborne

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Of the Ashe Baptist Association

The Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association met in conference at Blue Ridge Baptist Church at 7:00 p.m. on October 7, 1999.

In the absence of the Moderator and Vice Moderator the meeting was called to order by the Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn. The congregation then sang "On Jordan's Stormy Banks" accompanied by Rev. Wayne Osborne. Rev. Jim Thompson, pastor of Blue Ridge Baptist Church, welcomed everyone and read the devotion, entitled "A Passion for Compassion," from Luke 6:38 and Proverbs 29. He then led in prayer.

Mrs. Linda Blevins, Clerk, read the roll call of the Churches with the following seventeen Churches represented: Bald Mountain, Blue Ridge, Clifton, Fletcher Memorial, Friendly Grove, Grassy Creek, Landmark, Mission Home, New River, North Beaver, Old Fields, Phoenix, Pleasant Home, Round Knob, Tuckerdale, Warrensville and Welcome Home Baptist Churches.

The Clerk then read the minutes from the July 1st meeting. The minutes were approved after a motion made by Rev. Wayne Osborne and seconded by Rev. Jeff Vogler. The Clerk then stated that the minutes for the Annual Associational meetings were not yet completed. A motion was made to accept the minutes as typed by the Clerk so that they could be incorporated into the minute book. The motion was made by Rev. Lawrence Goodman and seconded by Rev. Jack Miller. Motion carries.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Linda Blevins, then gave the Treasurer's report. Rev. Jack Miller moved that the report be approved as printed. Rev. Jerry Francis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Moderator then recognized and welcomed Rev. Mike Grubb as the new Pastor at New River Baptist Church.

Mrs. Pat Powers, Director, gave the report for the ARC (Ashe Really Cares). She stated that the Center had been able to help local families with food, clothing and Spiritual guidance and the flood victims with clothing. The Churches have been supporting the ARC as well as some local businesses. The main thing needed at this time is volunteers and a bigger building to house the Center. She thanked the Churches for their continued support.

Rev. Jim Ketner gave a report from the Nominating Committee. He stated that a new Moderator would be needed and that Brother Joe Brown, Vice Moderator, would not be accepting the position. He asked that people would let him know of anyone they would recommend for this position.

Rev. David Blackburn then reported that we had a host Church for the Saturday session of the Annual Meeting, which would be Tuckerdale Baptist Church. He asked for the other Churches to consider being the host for the Friday session. He then gave a report on the *Unified Development Ordinance,* specifically Sec. 191 concerning adult establishments. He stated that the county as this time has no ordinances to stop adult establishments in our area.

He suggested that we might need help from a Christian attorney and asked that everyone pray about this.

Rev. Blackburn then gave a report on Hurricane Floyd relief effort. He shared that the Town of Jefferson had let us use their garage to gather food and then Mr John Burke and Rev. Allen Combs took it to Raleigh in a two-ton truck. The State Convention is asking for work teams. Sixteen people from Ashe helped out in Ahoskie. There has been $7000 that has come through the office. We need to pray for the flood victims. Rev. Lawrence Goodman said that they will need teams for the next two years to help rebuild Churches.

Rev. Blackburn also gave a report on the Hispanic Mission. He said that they had winterized the church. Mrs. Virginia Fox and Dr. Martinez are helping to get Brother Jesus Padilla, Jr. in school next quarter. Rev. Lonnie Jones has also been helping with this matter.

Mr. Delmas Parker gave a report from the Christian Action League. He discussed the effects of alcohol on our county especially with Jefferson Landing. He said that people of the county should have the right to vote whether or not they want liquor in our county. He would like to see our Association join with other Associations and go to court to change the law here concerning liquor in the county.

Mrs. Nancy Kautz gave a report from the Ashe County Suicide Task Force. She shared that Ashe County has the second highest suicide rate per people area in the state. The Task Force would like to set aside Sunday, November 14th as Sunshine Sunday to help raise awareness of this problem. There will be cards available at the Association Office for Churches to pass out on that Sunday. The cards have telephone numbers of different crisis hotlines.

The Moderator then asked if there was any old business. The only order of old business was the letter that was to be written to Bethel Baptist Church. The Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn, has sent the letter to them accepting their resignation but has received no response.

The Moderator asked for new business. The first order of new business was Churches to host the Executive Committee meetings for the coming year. The following four churches volunteered as follows:

January 2000 – North Beaver Baptist Church
April 2000 – Friendly Grove Baptist Church
July 2000 – Grassy Creek Baptist Church
October 2000 – Bald Mountain Baptist Church

Motion was made by Brother Colonel Blevins and seconded by Brother Dwayne Pollard to accept these Churches as the assigned meeting places. Motion is approved.

Second order of new business was to adopt November 14th as Sunshine Sunday. Rev. Lawrence Goodman made this motion and Rev. John Huffman seconded. Motion carries.

Next order of new business was a motion made by Brother Terry Hartzog to not carry forward from year to year reservations for the Ashe Baptist Campground. He proposed that only the

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Of the Ashe Baptist Association

Churches could make reservations from January to April 1 of each year. After April 1st others could make reservations on first come first served basis. The bookings that have already been made to date would be honored for this year. Rev. Wayne Osborne seconded the motion. The vote was taken with 12 representatives in favor of and 8 representatives against. Motion carried.

Rev. Jim Thompson asked that we have the Suicide/Depression Task Force put together information packets for the churches.

Motion to adjourn by Brother Charles Severt and seconded by Rev. Wayne Osborne. Meeting was adjourned with prayer requests and prayer around the altar led by Rev. Rick Cornejo and closed by Brother Dwayne Pollard.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda K. Blevins, Clerk

Notes

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
of the Ashe Baptist Association

January 6, 2000

The Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association met in conference at North Beaver Baptist Church at 7:00 p.m. on January 6, 2000.

In the absence of the Moderator and Vice-Moderator, the meeting was called to order the Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn. The congregation sang "At Calvary" led by Brother Don Goodman and accompanied on the piano by Rev. Wayne Osborne. Rev. Wayne Jones, Pastor of North Beaver Baptist Church, welcomed everyone and read the devotion from Galatians Chapter 5, Verses 22-25, and spoke on the fruits of the Spirit. He then led in prayer.

Rev. David Blackburn then recognized and welcomed Rev. David Grinnell as the new Pastor of Friendship Baptist Church.

In the absence of the Clerk-Treasurer, Mrs. Linda Blevins, Peggy Powers read the roll call of the churches with the following twenty-five churches represented: Bald Mountain, Beaver Creek, Blue Ridge, Bristol, Buffalo, Clifton, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Healing Springs, Liberty Grove, Midway, Mission Home, Mountain Olive, New River, North Beaver, Old Fields, Orion, Phoenix, Pleasant Home, Round Knob, Tuckerdale, Wagoner, Warrensville, Welcome Home and the Hispanic Baptist Mission.

The clerk pro tem then presented the Minutes from the October 7, 1999, meeting. The Minutes were approved following a motion made by Brother Dwayne Pollard and seconded by Rev. Kershaw Getty.

The Treasurer pro tem then presented the Treasurer's Report. Brother Fred Walters moved that the report be approved as printed. Rev. John Goodman seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Mrs. Pat Powers, Director, gave the report for the ARC (Ashe Really Cares). She stated that the center gave out 17 food boxes the first month it was in operation and 95 were given out last month. In addition to food, she stated that families has been helped with their electric bills, fuel oil, Christmas gifts, household items such as twin beds, box springs and mattress, sheets, and comforter. A lady had donated household furnishings to a family whose mobile home had burned. Ingles had donated outdated meats, bread and cupcakes. She stated that they prayed with each client each time they came in. One lady came in on December 6th and on December 7th, she was saved. Pat thanked the churches for their prayers and support. She also stated that ARC has outgrown its building and a building with more space is needed.

Rev. David Blackburn then stated that the next quarterly meeting of the ARC would be on Monday night, January 10, 2000, at North Beaver Baptist Church, at 7:00 and that the ARC is now in the process of securing a 2000 sq. ft. building at Ashe Central to house the ARC Center. He also stated that some private funding had come into the ARC to be used where the funds were needed and could be used to help secure a larger building if Ashe Central did not become available.

Rev. Mark Davis, Youth Minister of Bald Mountain Baptist Church, gave a report on Celebration 2000. He stated that around 1000 were in attendance and that 140 decisions were made out of which

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36 people gave their life to Christ. He gave his telephone number and urged the pastors of the churches to get in touch with him to get the names of young people who made decisions who may be going to their church or may live in their church vicinity in order to follow up with these decisions. He stated that around $17,000.00 had been raised for this event and around $4,000.00 was left. He challenged all to work together to minister to lost folks.

Rev. Lawrence Goodman then gave a report on the Hispanic Ministry. He stated that 2 years ago, Rev. Ken Furches and Brother Hank Saralegui took Rev. Jesus Padilla to apply for the I-140 to enable him to do the work to which he has been called. He stated that "hopefully within the next two months we will be getting word from Texas that we have the I-140." Rev. Padilla does have a tax ID number but his Social Security number is
not a valid Social Security number. Rev. Goodman thanked Rev. Lonnie Jones, who works with the Employment Security Commission in Watauga County, for all his help in
trying to secure the I-140 for Rev. Padilla. Rev. Goodman then made a motion that the Association give Rev. Padilla money and allow him to pay his own expenses, such as electric, heat, rent, and car expenses or he could be given a love offering. By doing this, no Social Security deductions from the Association would be necessary. David Blackburn asked that this motion be held until the new business came up.

Rev. David Blackburn told of the State Evangelism Conference coming up in Winston-Salem at the Calvary Baptist Church on January 10 and 11. He stated that the van would be leaving the Lowes Parking lot on Tuesday morning, January 11, at 8:00. The session would conclude at 4:30 and hopefully the folks would be getting back around 6:00 that evening. He encouraged all pastors, including the bi-vocational pastors, to come and go to this conference.

The Moderator then stated that a host was needed for Friday's session of the annual associational meeting. Rev. Kershaw Getty of Liberty Grove volunteered to host this session.

Rev. Blackburn stated that he has a form at the associational office if your church or Sunday School would like to partner with a flood victim family on the coast.

The Moderator thanked each church for its support of the Association. He stated that the churches are giving financially and that it is a great joy for him to be their Director of Missions. He called our attention to the $7,675 .67 shown on the Treasurer's Report as the Director of Missions wages and stated that this sum was not all wages as much of it
was used for insurances and trips to conferences and other places in connection with the Association.

David Blackburn then shared with the committee that for the last six months, God had been dealing with him that Ashe County needs to reach the lost for Christ. He stated that 10,000 in Ashe County do not attend any church and that there are 6,500 Southern Baptist in Ashe County. He quoted Mark 6:6 "And he marvelled because of their unbelief. And he went round about the villages, teaching." He told of how Jesus looked over Jerusalem and was moved with great passion. He stated that he for one was not going to let the devil take over Ashe County. He challenged the association of churches to enter into a three-year program to reach every person in the county and stated "the Bible teaches that we are to witness. Preachers can't do it by themselves. Pastors are exhausted." He stated we needed a

team to spearhead a project to partnership together under the leadership of a holy God to set goals for the first, second and third years of Challenge 2000.

The Moderator asked for other committee reports and there were none.

The Moderator asked for old business and there was none.

Under new business, Rev. Lawrence Goodman made motion in reference to Rev. Jesus Padilla which has previously been discussed. Brother Don Goodman seconded motion and motion carried.

Rev. Jim Thompson made motion in reference to Challenge 2000 previously brought up by the Moderator. Rev. Lawrence Goodman seconded the motion . Rev. Blackburn asked for volunteers to help spearhead the project. Those who volunteered were Rev. Lawrence Goodman, Rev. Mark Davis, Rev. Jerry Francis, Rev. Wayne Osborne, Rev. Kershaw Getty, Rev. Ken Furches, Rev. Jim Thompson, Rev. David Grinnell, Sherry Severt, and Rev. Chuck Call. Rev. Blackburn stated that he wanted to meet with these folks after the meeting was adjourned. The motion carried 100%.

Rev. Jim Thompson shared with the committee 2 Chronicles Chapter 7, Verse 14 and stated that God's people need to humble themselves and pray and seek God's leadership in this new challenge.

Rev. Kenneth Lawrence shared with the committee the statistics in reference to the divorce rate among the Baptist and Catholic faiths and challenged the churches to minister to people in all aspects of the Bible.

Rev. Lawrence Goodman shared with the committee in reference to the prayer breakfasts and stated that all schools had now requested these prayer breakfasts. Everyone needs to be involved. He challenged all to pray and to get people involved as this would be a great undertaking.

There being no further business, the Moderator asked for motion to adjourn. Brother Hank Saralegui made motion and Brother Fred Walters seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned with prayer requests and prayer around the altar lead by Brother Dwayne Pollard and Rev. David Grinnell.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Powers, Clerk Pro Tem

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
of the Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

The Executive Committee of the Ashe Missionary Baptist Association met in conference at Friendly Grove Baptist Church at 7:00 p.m. on April 6, 2000.

Brother Jerry Powers, Moderator, opened the meeting with prayer led by Brother Herb Rash.. The congregation sang "Brethren We Have Met to Worship" led by Brother Don Goodman and accompanied on the piano by Rev. Wayne Osborne.

The Moderator then thanked Friendly Grove Baptist Church for hosting the meeting and introduced their pastor, Rev. Jerry Francis. Rev. Francis welcomed everyone and led devotions with scripture from John 11:1-6, 35.

The roll call of the churches was then called by the clerk, Mrs. Linda Blevins with 21 churches and one mission represented as follows: Bald Mountain, Beaver Creek, Big Flatts, Buffalo, Calvary, Clifton, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Grassy Creek, Healing Springs, Landmark, Liberty Grove, Midway, Mission Home, North Beaver, Old Fields, Phoenix, Pleasant Home, Round Knob, Tuckerdale, Warrensville and the Hispanic Baptist Mission.

The clerk then presented the Minutes from the January 6, 2000 meeting. The Minutes were approved with a motion made by Rev. Keith Casey and seconded by Rev. Lawrence Goodman. Motion carries.

The Treasurer's Report was presented by the Treasurer, Mrs. Linda Blevins. The report was approved as printed following a motion made by Rev. Jerry Francis and seconded by Brother Fred Walters.

The Moderator then introduced Mr. Donnie Johnson, Superintendent of Ashe County Public Schools. Mr. Johnson gave a report on "Volunteerism in Schools."

The Moderator then asked for Committee Reports. Rev. Jim Ketner gave a report for the Nominating Committee. He stated that the Associational Clerk/Treasurer had requested that these two positions be separated and that since they were listed separately in the by-laws there would be no reason to make a motion for this to be done. He submitted the following motion: "These names are respectively submitted by the Nominating Committee in accordance to Article V; Section 7 of the Constitution and By-Laws. We also encourage each of these nominees to attend Key Leadership training at Ridgecrest May 8 & 9th. Associational Clerk-Sherry Severt, Youth Director-Rev. Mark Davis, Brotherhood Director-Fred Walters, Discipleship Training Director-Glenn A. Miller, Discipleship Training Associate-Linda Blackburn, Evangelism Chairperson-Rev. Dayton Roten, Moderator, Music Director-Rev. Wayne Osborne, Seminary Extension Director-Rev. Ron McMillan, WMU Director-Frances Blevins, Sunday School Director-Jim Ketner, Associational Treasurer-Linda Blevins." There were no nominations from the floor. Motion accepted by acclaimation..

Mrs. Pat Miller, Director of Ashe Really Cares, then gave the report for the ARC (Ashe Really Cares). Mrs. Miller shared that she had been a member of Calvary Baptist Church for 22 years and that she has taught Sunday School and VBS classes for the past 19 years. She stated that the center gave out 102 food boxes last month. This fed approximately 285 people. She prays with each person applying for food. The ARC is in need of volunteers.

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Rev. David Blackburn, Director of Missions, gave his report and thanked the Association for support both financial and Spiritual and for prayers. He stated that 12 churches in the county were helping to rebuild houses and churches in eastern North Carolina and there had been over $20,000 given to help rebuild. Also approval had been given to move Ashe Really Cares to Ashe Central in the shop area as soon as repairs and remodeling have been completed. Rev. John Huffman will go to the building with Rev. Blackburn and see what needs to be done.

The Director of Missions also reported for Challenge 2000. Their goal is to promote the work of God. The next meeting will be April 10, 2000 at Friendship Baptist Church.

Rev. David Blackburn gave the report for Hunger & NAMB. We have received $9,000.00 for food for Ashe Really Cares. $12,000.00 is slated for projects in the county. For the Buildings and Grounds there is some work that needs to be done at the parsonage. Several trees need to be cut down and a fallen tree needs to be cleared. The cost of this per Combs Tree Service will be $2,850. There will be a work day at Baptist Camp Ground on April 15, 2000 for anyone who can come and help.

Rev. Jim Ketner then shared a report for the Sunday School Committee. They had a Sunday School training seminar and 90 people attended. He asked that anyone who needs more information for their Sunday School would call him.

The Moderator then asked for old business. There was no old business.

He then asked for new business. A motion was made by Rev. Kershaw Getty to approve the funds ($2,850.00) for the removal of the trees at the parsonage. Brother Clifton Poe seconded the motion. Motion approved. (NOTE: The actual cost of tree removal and clearing of downed tree was $3,650.00 due to an additional tree needing to be removed. The additional funds were taken from the special funds anonymously given for such needs.)

Motion was made by Brother Fred Walters to move the next Executive Committee meeting from Jly 6th to July 13, 2000 due to the holiday. The motion was seconded by Brother Clifton Poe. Motion carries.

With no other new business, it was moved by Rev. Wayne Osborne and seconded by Rev. Jerry Francis to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned with altar prayer led by Mrs. Dorothy Witherspoon.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda K. Blevins, Clerk

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
JULY 13, 2000

The Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association met for its regular quarterly meeting on July 13, 2000 at 7:00 pm at the Tuckerdale Baptist Church. The meeting was called to order by Moderator, Mr. Jerry Powers, who thanked everyone for attending. He noted that Mrs. Linda Blevins, Treasurer was unable to be present and encouraged those attending to review the Treasurer's Report in the attached handouts. It was also noted that Rev. Wayne Osborne and his church were in Vacation Bible School this week and he was therefore unable to attend. The congregation was led in song by Brother Ed Harless and accompanied by Wanda Roten . Rev. Larry Powers then issued the welcome, and presented the devotion from Romans 12: 1 & 2. Rev. Powers thanked Brother Jerry Powers for the beautiful flower arrangement at the front of the church. Prayer requests were made for Betty Dillard, Linda Blackburn and family in loss of her mother, the group from Friendship on mission to Guatemala, and others. Rev. Larry Powers led in prayer.

Sherry Severt, Associational Clerk took the roll of the churches with the following eighteen churches being represented: Beaver Creek, Big Flatts, Calvary, Clifton, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Grassy Creek, Healing Springs, Laurel Knob, Liberty Grove, Midway, Mission Home, Mt. Olive, North Beaver, Old Fields, Peak Valley, Pleasant Home, and Tuckerdale.

Minutes from the April 6th Executive Committee meeting were presented on behalf of Linda Blevins, Associational Clerk at that time. Minutes were amended on page two, paragraph two, to read regarding Challenge 2000: "Their goal is to share Christ in every home in Ashe County in the next three years", in order to conform with the Mission Statement of Challenge 2000. Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as amended.

Upon motion by Jack Miller, seconded by Fred Walters, the Treasurer's Report were approved as presented. Committee reports were then presented.

Rev. Jim Ketner presented the report of the Nominating Committee to present Rev. Kershaw Getty as Moderator. This matter was tabled to the New Business portion of the meeting. Mrs. Pat Miller was recognized to present the report on Ashe Really Cares. Mrs. Miller reported that the ARC had been very busy and had prepared 320 food boxes , and provided ten Bibles in homes without a Bible since her last report. The ARC celebrated its one year anniversary on June 10, 2000 with a celebration including music provided by Joe and Lisa Biondi of the Acoustic Cafe and a message presented by Rev. David Blackburn. The ARC averages 107 boxes of food per month and has provided food and clothing for an abused wife with two children, made referrals to other agencies, and has purchased 9124 pounds of food since May, not including those items generously donated by Food Lion and Ingle's. Mrs. Miller invited everyone to tour the new ARC Mobile, a used ambulance purchased from Ashe Memorial Hospital which will be used to transport food, furniture, etc. and is available for use by others for Backyard Bible Clubs and other activities. Ms. Miller thanked everyone for their continued support of the ARC, including the Bald Mountain Youth

Group who came in to work, the children who brought in cans of food for their offering during VBS and others. Mrs. Miller has made presentations on the ARC to 140 people at Ashe Services for Aging and the Warrensville WMU Group. She concluded with thanks to God for his continued blessings and noted that volunteers are still needed.

Rev. David Blackburn then thanked everyone for their prayers, calls, visits, and concern during their time of sadness with the loss of Linda's mother, Mrs. Kathleen Poe. Information was presented on Challenge 2000 including thanks to Rev. Kershaw Getty and others who worked to prepare and staff the booth at Christmas in July. Flyers were made available to everyone regarding the Challenge 2000 Kickoff Revival scheduled for September 8-11 at Fletcher Memorial.

Rev. Blackburn then presented information on the Hispanic Ministry including that 78 souls had been saved during their recent outreach. An update was presented on the situation with Rev. Padilla's I-140 paperwork. Dr. Martinez in the Governor's office will be contacted in hopes of speeding up this process and everyone was asked to pray for a rapid resolution to this matter.

Rev. Blackburn presented information on behalf of Rev. Lawrence Goodman on the School Prayer Breakfasts to be held at each school in the county on August 7 and August 8. Everyone was encouraged to participate and attend the meeting to be held on Tuesday, July 17th at Friendly Grove Baptist Church.

Reminders were given for the Budget Committee meeting on July 20th and Program Committee on July 27th. Annual Church Profiles and reports are due by July 21st. Everyone was encouraged to attend the Annual Meetings to be held on August 18th at Liberty Grove Baptist Church and August 19th at Tuckerdale Baptist Church. Rev. Blackburn requested that everyone continue to remember the association in prayer as it continues to do the Lord's work.

Mrs. Nancy Kautz was recognized and presented information on a Regional Sunshine Sunday to promote awareness of the problems of depression and suicide in Ashe County. A portion of the tape "The Face of Depression in Ashe County" was presented highlighting the high suicide rate and problems faced by Ashe Countians. After discussion, the date of October 15th was agreed upon as the date for Sunshine Sunday. Resource manuals were distributed and each church was encouraged to recognize Sunshine Sunday and to contact Ms. Kautz if materials including the film, and suicide statistics were needed.

There being no old business, the call was made for new business to be presented. Upon presentation by the Nominating Committee, seconded by Fred Walters, Rev. Kershaw Getty was approved as Moderator.

There being no further business, motion was made to adjourn by Rev. Jerry Francis, seconded by Rev. Jack Miller. The motion carried. Rev. Denver Carpenter led in prayer around the altar and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sherry G. Severt, Associational Clerk

Minutes of the
ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION ONE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION
LIBERTY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
August 18 and 19th, 2000

The one hundred fourteenth annual session of the Ashe Baptist Association annual meeting was called to order on August 18, 2000 at the Liberty Grove Baptist Church by Moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty.

Congregational Hymn " Stand Up for Jesus" Rev. Wayne Osborne
Prayer Rev. Jack Pugh
Welcome/Devotion Rev. Darien South
Member, Liberty Grove Baptist Church

Topic: 1st Corinthians 12:12 Spiritual comparison of the whole body to a military brigade. We all have a job to do and if we as Christians pull together as one body, Christ is exalted.

2:15 **Organization** Moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty
Seating of Messengers

Adoption of Order of Business and rules of order, presented by Moderator. Upon motion by Hank Saralegui, seconded by Fred Walters, motion to adopt order of business and rules was carried.

Recognition of Visitors including Steve Hoffman, Baptist Children's Homes; Paul Mullen, NC Baptist Hospital; Mrs. Irma Duke, Campbell University; Rev. Todd Edmiston, Fruitland Bible Institute; Tony W. Cartledge, The Biblical Recorder, Mark Creech of the Christian Action League; Dan Bivins of the Baptist State Convention, and Johnny Ross, Annuity Board of the Baptist State Convention. Director of Missions asked that everyone remember in prayer, associational treasurer, Linda Blevins who was having surgery that day.

Recognition of New Pastors: New pastors were recognized including: Rev. David Grinnell of Friendship Baptist Church; Rev. Jeff Phoenix, Youth Minister at Friendship Baptist Church; Rev. Keith Wagner, Pastor of Blue Ridge Baptist, and Rev. Allan Huffman, Pastor of New River Baptist Church

Committee Appointments - Upon presentation by the Moderator, these candidates were appointed without necessity of a vote:

American Bible Society — Don Goodman
Baptist Children's Home — JoAnne Goodman
Baptist Foundation — Rev. Darien South
Baptist Hospital — Timothy Miller
Baptist Retirement Homes — Robert D. Neaves
Biblical Recorder — Rev. Lawrence Goodman
Christian Education — Susan Miller

Foreign Missions	Dr. Jim Rash
Home Missions	A. Wayne Jones
Pastor's Salary and Retirement	Rev. Tom Graybeal
Southern Baptist Annuity	Rev. Keith Casey
State Missions	Rev. Wayne Jones
Temperance and Public Morals	Delmas Parker

2:30 **Roll Call of the Churches** Assn. Clerk, Mrs. Sherry Severt

Thirty churches and one mission were represented by a total of 102 delegates. Approximately forty visitors were present.

History of Liberty Grove Baptist Church presented by Mr. William Scott

Congregational Hymn "I Want to Know More" Rev. Wayne Osborne

2:45 Message Rev. David Grinnell
Pastor, Friendship Baptist Church

Numbers 13:3 Topic: Personality types that hinder the church from moving forward including 1) Doubters 2) Complainers 3) the Small-Minded 4) Weepers 5) the Rebellious 6) Back trackers 7) Stone throwers

3:15 Congregational Hymn "Victory in Jesus" Rev. Wayne Osborne

3:20 **Miscellaneous Business** Moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty

Election of Organizational Officers: Upon motion by Jerry South, seconded by Hank Saralegui slate of officers was approved as corrected (Change Rev. Jerry South to read Jerry South). Motion carried.

Election of Administrative Committees

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Sherry Severt for Mrs. Linda Blevins, Treasurer who was unable to be present at the meeting. Further clarification was made on the compensation to Director of Missions, the expenditures from the Anonymous donations, and explanation was given for the balances in various funds Upon motion made and seconded, the report was approved as read.

Budget Report: Presented by Mr. Bob Neaves- Chairman, of the Budget Committee. Mr. Neaves recognized the members of the Budget Committee and upon Motion by Hank Saralegui, seconded by Duane Pollard, report was approved as presented..

Motion was presented by Rev. Jerry Francis from the floor to dedicate the minutes of this year's annual meeting to Irene Campbell who for many years served as pianist for the Association. Motion was seconded by Rev. Jack Pugh and the motion carried unanimously.

Rev. Wayne Osborne made a motion that the Association sponsor "An Evening with the McKamey's to be held on November 2nd as a ticketed event. The event is to be held at the new Ashe County High School auditorium which seats 500. Tickets will

be reserved for ABA churches first and then for sale to the public. Any profits will go to benefit Ashe Really Cares. The motion carried.

3:50 **Reports**

3:50 Baptist Children's Homes Steve Hoffman

Mr. Hoffman reported on the 13+ locations of Baptist Children's Homes across our state where their mission is "Quality Service through Quality Relationships". A new ministry for BCH is directed toward developmentally disabled children. The goal this year for the Thanksgiving offering is $1 million statewide.

4:00 N.C. Baptist Hospital Paul Mullen

Rev. Mullen reported that 95 of the Best Doctor's in American are at NC Baptist Hospital and that a new tower had been constructed, eleven stories in height, to house the Brenner's Children's Hospital. Rev. Mullen concluded by asking that if anyone became aware of a need that is unmet to please notify him directly at 716-3027.

4:10 Campbell University Mrs. Irma Duke

Ms. Duke reported that Campbell has had the best record in number of graduates passing the bar exam for 8 of the last 9 years and the Pharmacy school has been top school for 7 of the last 11 years. She also reported that 91% of Campbell students receive some financial aid.

4:20 Fruitland Bible Institute Rev. Todd Edmiston
Director of Campus Services

Rev. Edmiston reported that the Cooperative Program, supported by our Association provides one half of the money needed to keep the doors open at Fruitland. The seminary began in 1996.

4:30 Biblical Recorder Tony W. Cartledge
Editor, Biblical Recorder

Mr. Cartledge reported that 1% of the Cooperative Program funds go to the Biblical Recorder and that these funds account for 40% of their total budget. Historically, he reported that from 1833 until 1937, the Recorder was printed privately, but was then adopted by the Baptist State Convention. Free copies were distributed and subscription information was made available to those present.

A change was made in the order of business to allow Mark Creech of the Christian Action League to present his report later in the session, following the evening meal.

Rev. David Blackburn was recognized and presented the Director of Mission report including information on Ashe Really Cares, the Challenge 2000 initiative and other activities of the Association. Rev. Blackburn expressed his appreciation to his wife Linda, his assistant, Sherry Severt and to every member of the association for their support.

4:50 Foreign Missions Dan Bivins Baptist State Convention

A visual presentation was made on foreign missions by Mr. Bivins of the Baptist State Convention including information on the division of our planet into Worlds A, B, and C and the status of each as having been reached for Christ.

Rev. Lawrence Goodman was recognized from the floor and presented information on the Prayer Breakfasts held early in August at every school in Ashe County. A thank you was given to all those who volunteered to speak, provide food, and to help make the event possible.

5:00 **Special Report on Annuity Board** Dr. Johnny Ross
Annuity Board Representative, Baptist State Convention

Dr. Ross presented information on the 403 b (Tax Sheltered Annuity) and various personal investment products. He encouraged everyone eligible (all pastors, and paid staff members) of each church and association to take advantage of the benefits available through the Annuity Board. All churches were urged to fully protect their pastors and staff by obtaining adequate insurance and retirement benefits through the Annuity Board.

5:15 **Special Music** Mrs. Lynn Getty

Mrs. Lynn Getty, wife of Rev. Kershaw Getty, Moderator and pastor of Liberty Grove Baptist Church presented a solo entitled "Beyond the Sunset".

5:20 Annual Message/Associational Sermon Rev. Keith Casey
Pastor, Midway Baptist Church

Luke 17:7 Rev. Casey presented a message on service to the master including the Master's Expectation, the Servants' Dedication, the Servants' Obligation, and the Master's Exhortation.

5:55 **Adjourn for evening meal, blessing** Rev. Kershaw Getty

A delicious meal prepared by the ladies of Liberty Grove Baptist Church was served in the church fellowship hall.

Moderator for Evening Session Rev. Jerry Powers

7:00 **Scripture and Prayer** Rev. Ken Furches

Rev. Furches reading from 1st Corinthians spoke on the topic, "What you do for the Lord is not in vain"

7:05 **Special Singing** Associational Choir

The mountains rang with the beautiful voices of the Association Choir led by Rev. Wayne Osborne. All were moved by the inspiring songs "I'm Gonna Rise", "Rock of Ages", and "Unclouded Day".

7:20 Congregational Hymn "When We all Get to Heaven" Rev. Wayne Osborne

7:25 Mission Sermon Rev. Jerry Francis

Pastor, Friendly Grove Baptist Church

Rev. Francis read from Joshua 3 and spoke on our responsibility to be mission minded and to see the opportunities within our current circumstances. He challenged those present to cross over Jordan - to move forward with fresh commitment to do the work that we are called of God to do.

7:45 **Mission Reports**

ARC Mrs. Pat Miller

Mrs. Millller presented information on the mission which provides clothing, food, and counseling to the less fortunate in our area. She thanked all volunteers who have made donations and worked to gather in the food and distribute it to those in need.

Medical Missions Dr. Greg Hershner

Dr. Hershner spoke regarding the medical clinic formerly held at the Hispanic mission which was discontinued for lack of interest and the dental bus which will be open to treat patients this October.

Hispanic Ministry Mr. Hank Saralegui

Mr. Saralegui presented information on the tremendous work being done by our minister to the Hispanic population, Rev. Jesus Padilla and the advances that have been made in bringing these new residents of our county to Christ.

WMU (Women's Missionary Union) Mrs. Linda Blackburn

Mrs. Blackburn reported that 22 churches in the association currently have a WMU or Women on Mission group. The association was challenged to support these women in their mission work and to volunteer to assist where needed.

Brotherhood Mr. Fred Walters

Mr. Walters spoke about the work done by the Brotherhood including assistance to the victims of Hurricane Floyd and the life-changing experiences that these volunteers, both men and women had faced.

Mr. Mark Creech, State Director of the Christian Action League was recognized and presented his report encouraging all Christians to be involved in the political process and decisions made politically, affect our future and our children's future. Those present were inspired to take part and to keep informed of actions being taken by our elected leaders.

8:20 Congregational Hymn "I Know My Name is There" Rev. Wayne Osborne

8:25 **Benediction** Mr. Jerry South

The meeting was adjourned following the benediction.

The meeting was reconvened on August 19, 2000 at the Tuckerdale Baptist Church.

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION ONE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION
LIBERTY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Friday Afternoon, August 18, 2000

2:00	**Call to Order**	Moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty
	Congregational Hymn (Stand Up for Jesus- pg. 384) Rev. Wayne Osborne	
	Welcome/Devotion	Rev. Darien South Member, Liberty Grove Baptist Church
2:15	**Organization**	Moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty
	Seating of Messengers Adoption of Order of Business Recognition of Visitors Recognition of New Pastors Committee Appointments (see page	
2:30	**Roll Call of the Churches**	Assn. Clerk, Mrs. Sherry Severt
	History of Liberty Grove Baptist Church	Mr. Joe Brown
	Congregational Hymn (Rescue the Perishing pg.145)Rev. Wayne Osborne	
2:45	**Message**	Rev. David Grinnell Pastor, Friendship Baptist Church
	Alternate	Rev. Jack Pugh Pastor, Round Knob Baptist Church
3:15	Congregational Hymn (He keeps me Singing pg.125)Rev. Wayne Osborne	
3:20	**Miscellaneous Business**	Moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty
	Election of Organizational Officers Election of Administrative Committees	
	Treasurer's Report	Mrs. Linda Blevins
	Budget Report	Mr. Bob Neaves Chairman, Budget Committee
3:50	**Reports** Institutions Agencies Missions 10 minutes each (see "Rules of Order", page 9)	
3:50	Baptist Children's Homes	Steve Hoffman
4:00	N.C. Baptist Hospital	Paul Mullen
4:10	Campbell University	Mrs. Irma Duke
4:20	Fruitland Bible Institute	Rev. Todd Edmiston Director of Campus Services
4:30	Biblical Recorder	Tony W. Cartledge Editor, Biblical Recorder
4:40	Christian Action League	Mark Creech State Director, Christian Action League
4:50	Foreign Missions	Dan Bivins Baptist State Convention

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5:00	**Special Report on Annuity Board**	Dr. Johnny Ross Annuity Board Representative, Baptist State Convention
5:15	**Special Music**	Mrs. Lynn Getty
5:20	**Annual Message/Associational Sermon**	Rev. Keith Casey Pastor, Midway Baptist Church
	Alternate	Rev. Billy Joe Blevins Pastor, Bristol Baptist Church
5:55	**Adjourn for evening meal, blessing**	Rev. Kershaw Getty
	Moderator for Evening Session	Rev. Jerry Powers
7:00	**Scripture and Prayer**	Rev. Ken Furches
7:05	**Special Singing**	Associational Choir
7:20	Congregational Hymn (He Lives -pg.188)	Rev. Wayne Osborne
7:25	**Mission Sermon**	Rev. Jerry Francis Pastor, Friendly Grove Baptist Church
	Alternate	Rev. Bill Ballou Pastor, Pleasant Valley Baptist Church

7:45 **Mission Reports**
5 minutes each (see "Rules of Order" page 9)

ARC	Mrs. Pat Miller
Medical Missions	Dr. Greg Hershner
Hispanic Ministry	Mr. Hank Saralegui
Director of Missions	Rev. David Blackburn
WMU (Women's Missionary Union)	Mrs. Linda Blackburn
Brotherhood	Mr. Fred Walters
Highlands Community	Rev. Steve Witherspoon

8:20	Congregational Hymn (I Know my Name is There)	Rev. Wayne Osborne
8:25	**Benediction**	Mr. Jerry South

Special Thanks to Liberty Grove Baptist Church for hosting and to the ladies for a delicious meal!

The morning session begins at 9:00 a.m. hosted by Tuckerdale Baptist Church

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

9:00 **Call to Order** Moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty

Congregation was welcomed and encouraged to pick up literature from the table at the back of the sanctuary left by last evenings' speakers.

Congregational Hymn " Showers of Blessing" Rev. Wayne Osborne

Welcome and Devotion Rev. Larry Powers
Pastor, Tuckerdale Baptist Church

Rev. Powers spoke on the harvest of souls needed in our area and encouraged all to "Press toward the mark..." Phillipians 3:14

9:15 **Roll Call of the Churches** Mrs. Sherry Severt, Clerk

31 churches and 1 mission were represented by a total of 87 delegates and a number of other visitors.

9:20 **History of Tuckerdale Baptist Church** Ms. Jeanette Davis

9:25 **Special Music** Roten Family

Once again, the air was filled with beautiful music as the Roten family lifted their voices to sing "For the Blood", and "We've Been Blessed".

9:35 **Message** Rev. Wayne Jones
Pastor, North Beaver Baptist Church

Rev. Jones read from Isaiah 45 on the topic, "They Ain't Nobody Like Him".

Moderator's Report Mr. Jerry Powers

Mr. Powers pointed out the beautiful flowers and pointed out that like the dirt that the flowers grow from, our lives can grow to be beautiful, if we dedicate ourselves to the Lord. He commented on the positive growth of our association and encouraged everyone to continue working together.

Youth Council Report Rev. David Blackburn

On behalf of Karlton Yearick, Youth Council Chairman, it was reported that the Celebration 2000 meeting held on New Year's Eve at Ashe County High School was successful, many souls being saved and many rededications made, and called on everyone to support the youth of our county, as they are our future.

Music Committee Rev. Wayne Osborne

Rev. Osborne presented the upcoming "Evening with the McKamey's to be held on November 2nd, and requested that all churches pray for this event, that the churches might be unified and that unsaved souls could be reached for the Lord. The Music Committee is currently working on a plan for the coming year to sponsor a music camp for children at the Ashe Baptist Campground.

Sunday School Rev. Jim Ketner

Rev. Ketner reported on the upcoming training at Ridgecrest to be held on September 22 on the topic of Teaching Methods and encouraged those who could to attend a training to be held at Wilkesboro Baptist Church on 26th.

Vacation Bible School — Mrs. Amy Rexrode

Ms. Rexrode reported that many souls were saved at Association churches this year through the efforts of those who worked to make VBS successful at each location. She further encouraged everyone to attend the VBS Clinic for 2001 in order to get a good start on VBS for next summer.

Guatemala Mission Trip — Mr. Mark Rexrode

Mr. Rexrode reported on the recent trip by himself and others, who made up the 12 member team from Friendship Baptist Church. He reported that Guatemala is a country of 962,000 people of which around 9% are Christians. He encouraged other to become involved in missions and stated that through God, common people can do great things.

Ashe Baptist Campground — Mr. Harold Jordan

Mr. Jordan thanked everyone for their work at the campground and for all those who prayed for him and supported him during his recent illness. He encouraged all committee members to attend scheduled meetings so that more work can be done at the campground.

Ashe Pregnancy Care Center — Mrs. Peggy Hoefl

Ms. Hoefl reported on the great success at the Pregnancy Care Center and told of the lives that had been saved and the mothers who had turned to Jesus and been led to have their babies rather than aborting them. She thanked those who had volunteered and provided supplies and encouraged others to volunteer both time, money and talents.

Gideons International — Mr. Don Goodman

Mr. Goodman, on behalf of the Jefferson Camp of Gideons International reported that the Gideons now provided Bibles in 77 languages and in 173 countries, distributing 1 million copies of the scripture every 6 1/2 days. He stated that the Gideons rely on Isaiah 55:11 which states that "God's word shall not return void". All churches were thanked for their willingness to allow Gideon speakers to bring their message to the congregations of the Association.

Challenge 2000 — Rev. Dayton Roten

Rev. Roten spoke on the ongoing efforts of those involved in Challenge 2000, an initiative of the Ashe Baptist Association to bring the gospel to every person in Ashe County within the next three years. He stated that this mission is nothing new, it is a day-to-day part of the Great Commission. Everyone was encouraged to participate and to pray for this ongoing effort.

Rev. Kershaw Getty was recognized and encouraged everyone to attend the upcoming Challenge 2000 Revival to be held on September 8--11th at Friendship Baptist church. Association churches were asked to move their Sunday evening services to the revival.

10:50 Congregational Hymn "I Love to Tell the Story" Rev. Wayne Osborne
Offering was taken for Challenge 2000 totalling $ 594.23

11:00 **Business Session** Moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty

Adoption of Associational Budget - Upon motion made by Lawrence Goodman and seconded by Hank Saralegui, the associational budget for the upcoming year was approved as presented.

Other business: Rev. Lawrence Goodman was recognized and asked for comments from the delegates regarding holding an Evangelistic service on Friday evening of the Annual Meeting. It was discussed that pastors and delegates could meet on Thursday evening for transacting business and that folks from the community could be invited into the meeting to attend the Friday evening service.

Rev. David Blackburn was recognized and suggested Rev. Henry Blackabee, author of "Experiencing God" and "Master Life" as a possible speaker for next year's annual meeting. The Program Committee will meet to decide on this.

Resolutions Committee Mr. Charlie King
Mr. King presented the resolutions proposed by his committee, which are attached hereto. Following discussion, a motion to approve the resolution was carried.

Report of Time/Place Preacher Committee
It was reported that the annual meeting for next year be held on Friday at Warrensville Baptist Church, and the Saturday session be held at Grassy Creek Baptist Church. Upon motion by Duane Pollard, seconded by Rev. Wayne Jones, the motion carried.

Approval of Minutes
The minutes from the July meeting of the Executive Committee were presented. A vote on to approve these minutes was waived. Minutes are to be presented at the October meeting of the Executive Committee.

Memorial Service Rev. Bill Ballou
Rev. Bill Ballou presented the names of those church members who died during the year 1999/2000. Upon motion made and seconded, this was approved as read.

Mr. Jerry Powers was recognized and spoke on the importance of the Gideons International and about the personal sacrifice made by the Gideons to put Bibles in the hands of those who need one.

Rev. David Blackburn addressed the meeting on the progress of the association and the work that is being done for the Lord. He asked that associational churches call upon the Committees and Committee Chairs if there are needs or questions that they can assist with.

The Moderator then recognized Rev. David Blackburn, Director of Missions for our association and applauded him for his hard work on behalf of our association and his concern for the lost.

Rev. Lawrence Goodman was recognized and addressed the group on the upcoming dates for the dental bus, which is to be at Fletcher Memorial Baptist Church on October 20 and 21st from 8-5. The service is provided for those who are uninsured or are unable to pay for dental services.

Reg. Roger Newton was then recognized on behalf of Hospice. Rev. Newton thanked the pastors and churches for support Hospice and encouraged the group as Christians to stand up and be counted on the matter of end-of-life issues.

Rev. Jesus Padilla, through his interpreter Hank Saralegui than addressed the group, thanking the Lord for the association and for each member. He then asked to be permitted to sing for the glory of God, stating that the Lord understands every tongue. Through the words were unfamiliar, everyone responded immediately to the melody of "Because He Lives".

Rev. Padilla gave the benediction & blessing on the food, which was prepared by the ladies of Tuckerdale Baptist Church. Upon motion by Jerry Powers, seconded by Hank Saralegui, the One Hundred Fourteenth Annual Session was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry G. Severt,
Associational Clerk

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, and on profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now, in the presence of God, angels and the assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into this covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness and comfort to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain worship, ordinances, discipleship and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church and the relief of the poor; and the spread of the Gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealing, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger, to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense but always ready for reconciliation; and mindful of the rule of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1. We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three Persons in the God-head; the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.
2. We believe that the Bible, the Old and New Testament, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.
3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.
4. We believe that Salvation is by Grace through Faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.
5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.
6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.
7. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace and Glory.
8. We believe in a separate resurrection and judgment, both for the righteous, and unrighteous dead.
9. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Addendum I - ARTICLES OF FAITH
(The Baptist Faith and Message as adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1963)

Baptists are a people who profess a living faith. This faith is rooted and grounded in Jesus Christ who is "the same yesterday and today and forever." Therefore the sole authority for faith and practice among Baptists is Jesus Christ whose will is revealed in the Holy Scriptures.

A living faith must experience a growing understanding of truth and must be continually interpreted and related to the needs of each new generation. Through out their history Baptist bodies, both large and small, have issued statements of faith which comprise a consensus of their beliefs. Such statements have never been regarded as complete, infallible statements of faith, nor as official creeds carrying mandatory authority. Thus this generation of Southern Baptists is in historic succession of intent and purpose as it endeavors to state for its time and theological climate those articles of the Christian faith which are most surely held among us.

Baptists emphasize the soul's competency before God, freedom in religion, and the priesthood of the believer. However, this emphasis should not be interpreted to mean that there is an absence of certain doctrines that Baptists believe, cherish, and with which they have been and are now closely identified.

It is the purpose of this statement of faith and message to set forth certain teachings which we believe.

THE SCRIPTURES

The Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is the record of God's revelation of Himself to many. It is a perfect treasure of divine instruction. In has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter.

Ex. 24:4; Deut. 4:1-2; 17:19; Josh. 8:34; Psalm 19:7-10; 119: 11, 89; 105; 140. It reveals the principles by which God judges us; and therefore is, and will remain to the end of the world, the true center of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds, and religious opinions should be tried. The criterion by which the Bible is to be interpreted is Jesus Christ.

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Isa. 34:16; 40:8; Jer. 15:16; 36; Matt. 5:17-18; 22-29; Luke 21:33, 44-46; John 5:39; 16:13-15; 17:17; Acts 2:16 ff; 17:11; Rom. 15:4; 16: 25-26; 2 Tim. 3:15-17; Heb. 1:1-2; 4:12; I Peter 1:25; 2 Peter 1:25; 2 Peter 1:19-21.

GOD

There is one and only one living and true God. He is an intelligent, spiritual, and personal Being, the Creator, Redeemer, Preserver, and Ruler of the Universe. God is infinite in holiness and all other perfections. To Him we owe the highest love, reverence, and obedience. The eternal God reveals Himself to us a Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, with distinct personal attributes, but without division of nature, essence, or being.

GOD THE FATHER

God as Father reigns with providential care over his universe, His creatures and the flow of the stream of human history according to the purpose of His grace. He is all powerful, all loving, and all wise, God is Father in truth to those who become children of God through faith in Jesus Christ. He is fatherly in His attitude toward all men.

Gen. 1:1, 2:7; Ex. 3:14, 6:2-3, 15:11ff, 20:1ff; Lev. 22:2; Deut. 6:4, 32:6; I Chron. 29:10; Psalm 19:1-3; Isa. 43:3, 15, 64:8; Jer. 10:10, 17:3; Matt. 6:9 ff, 7:11, 23:9, 28:19; Mark 1:9-11; John 4:24, 5:26, 14:6-13, 17:1-8; Acts 1:7; Rom. 8:14-15; I Cor. 8:6; Gal. 4:6; Eph. 4:6; Col. 1:15; I Tim. 1:17; Heb. 11:6, 12:9; I Peter 1:17; I John 5:7.

GOD THE SON

Christ is the eternal Son of God. In His incarnation as Jesus Christ he was conceived of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. Jesus perfectly revealed and did the will of God, taking upon Himself the demands and necessities of human nature and identifying Himself completely yet without sin. He was raised from the dead with a glorified body and appeared to His disciples as the person who was with them before His crucifixion. He ascended

GOD THE SON (continued)

into Heaven and is now exalted at the right hand of God where he is the One Mediator, partaking of the nature of God and of man and whose Person is effected the reconciliation between God and man. He will return in power and glory to judge the world and to consummate His redemptive mission. He now dwells in all believers as the living and ever present Lord.

Gen. 18:1 ff; Psalm 2:7ff, 110:1ff; Isa. 7:14; 53; Matt. 1:18-23; 3:17, 8:29, 11:27, 14:33, 16:16, 27, 17:5, 27, 28: 1-6,19; Mark 1:1, 3:11; Luke 1:35, 4:41, 22:70, 24:46; John 1:1-18, 29, 10:30, 38, 11:25-27, 12:44-50, 14:7-11, 16:15-16, 28, 17:1-5, 21-22, 20:1-20, 28; Acts 1:9, 2:22-24, 7:55-56, 9:4-5, 20; Rom. 1:3-4, 3:23-26, 5:6-21, 8:1-3, 34, 10:4; I Cor. 1:30, 2:2, 8:6, 15:1-8, 24-28; 2 Cor. 5:19-21; Gal. 4:4-5; Eph. 1:20, 3:11, 4:7-10; Phil. 2:5-11; Col. 1:13-22, 2:9; I Thes. 4:14-18; I Tim. 2:5-6, 3:16; Titus 2:13-14; Heb. 1:1-3, 4:14-15, 7:14-28, 9:12-15, 24-24, 12:2, 13:8; I Peter 2:21-25, 3: 22; I John 1:7-9, 3:2, 4:14-15, 5:9; II John 7-9; Rev. 1:13-16, 5:9-14, 12:10-11, 13:8, 19: 16.

GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God. He inspired holy men of old to write the scriptures. Through illumination He enables men to understand truth. He exalts Christ. He convicts of sin, of righteousness and of judgment. He calls men to the Savior, and effects regeneration. He cultivates Christian character, comforts believers. and bestows the spiritual gifts by which they serve God through His church. He seals the believers unto the day of final redemption. His presence in the Christian is the assurance of God to bring the believers into the fullness of the stature of Christ. He enlightens and empowers the believer and the church in worship, evangelism, and service.

Gen. 1:2; Judges 14:6; Job 26:13; Psalm 51:11; 139:7ff; Isa. 61:1-3; Joel 2:28-32; Matt. 1:18, 3:16, 4:1, 12:28-32, 28:19; Mark 1:10, 12, Luke 1:35, 4:1, 18-19, 11:13, 12:12, 24-49; John 4:24, 14:16-17, 26, 15:26, 16:7-14; Acts 1:8, 2:1-4, 38, 4:31, 5:3, 6:3, 7:55, 8:17, 39, 10:44, 13:2, 15:28, 16:6, 19:1-6; Rom. 8:9-11, 14-16, 26-27; I Cor. 2:10-14, 3:16, 12:3-11; Gal. 4:6; Eph. 1:13-14, 4:30, 5:18; I Thes. 5:19; I Tim. 3:16, 4:1; 2 Tim. 1:14, 3:16; Heb. 9:8, 14; 2 Peter 1:21; I John 4:13, 5:6-7; Rev. 1: 10, 22:17.

MEN

Man was created by the special act of God, in his own image, and is the crowning work of His creation. In the beginning man was innocent of sin and was endowed by His Creator with freedom of choice. By his free choice man sinned against God and brought sin into the human race. Through the temptation of Satan man transgressed the command of God, and fell from his original innocence; whereby his posterity inherit a nature and an environment inclined toward sin, and as soon as they are capable of moral action become transgressors and are under condemnation. Only the grace of God can bring man into His holy fellowship and enable man to fulfill the creative purpose of God. The sacredness of human personality is evident in that God created man in His own image, and in that Christ died for man; therefore, every man possesses dignity and is worthy of respect and Christian love.

Gen. 1:26-30, 2:5,7, 18-22, 3:6-9; Psalm 1; 8:3-6, 32:1-5, 51:5; Isa. 6:5; Jer. 17:5; Matt. 16:26; Acts 17:26-31; Rom. 1:19, 32, 3:10-18, 23, 5:6, 12, 19, 6:6, 7:14-18; I Cor. 1:21-31, 15:19, 21-22; Eph. 2:1-22, 3:9-11.

SALVATION

Salvation involves the redemption of the whole man, and is offered freely to all who accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, who by His own blood obtained eternal redemption for the believer. In its broadest sense salvation includes regeneration, sanctification, and glorification.

A. Regeneration, or the new birth, is a work of God's grace whereby believers become new creatures in Christ Jesus. It is a change of heart wrought by thee Holy Spirit through conviction of sin, to which the sinner responds in repentance toward God, and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Repentance and faith are inseparable experiences of grace. Repentance is a genuine turning from sin toward God. Faith is the acceptance of Jesus Christ and commitment of the entire personality to Him as Lord and Savior. Justification is God's gracious and full acquittal upon principles of His righteousness of all sinners who repent and believe in Christ. Justification brings the believer into a relationship for peace and favor with God.

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B. Sanctification is the experience, beginning in regeneration, by which the believer is set apart to God's purposes, and is enabled to progress toward moral and spiritual perfection through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit dwelling in him. Growth in grace should continue throughout the regenerate person's life.

C. Glorification is the culmination of salvation and is the final blessed and abiding state of the redeemed.

Gen. 3:15; Ex. 3:14-17, 6:2-8; Matt. 1:21, 4:17, 16:21-26, 27:22 to 28:6; Luke 1:68-69, 2: 28-32; John 1:11-14, 29, 3:3-21, 36, 5:24, 10:9, 28-29, 15:1-16, 17:17; Acts 2:21, 4:12, 15:11, 16:30-31, 17:30-31, 20:32; Rom. 1:16-19, 2:4, 3:23-25, 4:3ff, 5:8-10, 6:1-23, 8:1-18, 29-39, 10:9-10, 13, 13:11-14; I Cor. 1:18, 30, 6:19-20, 15:10; 2 Cor. 5:17-20; Gal. 2:20, 3:13, 5:22-25, 6:15; Eph. 1:7, 2:8-22, 4:11-16; Phil. 2:12-13; Col. 1:9-22, 3:1ff; I Thes. 5:23-24; 2 Tim. 1:12; Titus 2:11-14; Heb. 2:1-3, 5:8-9, 9:24-28, 11:1-12:8, 14; James 2:14-16; I Peter 1:2-23; I John 1:6 to 2:11; Rev. 3:21, 21:1 to 22:5.

GOD'S PURPOSE AND GRACE

Election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which He regenerates, sanctifies, and glorifies sinners. It is consistent with the free agency of man, and comprehends all the means in connection with the end. It is a glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, and is infinitely wise, holy, and unchangeable. It excludes boasting and promotes humility.

All true believers endure to the end. Those whom God has accepted in Christ, and sanctified by His Spirit, will never fall away from the state of grace, but shall persevere to the end. Believers may fall into sin through neglect and temptation, whereby they grieve the Spirit, impair their graces and comforts, bring reproach on the cause of Christ, and temporal judgments on themselves, yet they shall be kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

Gen. 12:1-3; Ex. 19:5-8; I Sam. 8:4-7, 19-22; Isa. 5:1-7; Jer. 31:31ff; Matt. 16:18-19, 21:28-45, 24:22, 31, 25:34; Luke 1:68-79, 2:29-32, 19:41-44, 24:44-48; John 1:12-14, 3:16, 5:24, 6:44-45, 65, 10:27-29, 15:16, 17:6, 12, 17-18; Acts 20:32; Rom. 5:9-10, 8:28-39,

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10: 12-15, 11:5-7, 26-36; I Cor. 1:1-2, 15:24-28; Eph. 1:4-23, 2:1-10, 3:1-11; Col. 1:12-14; 2 Thes. 2:13-14; 2 Tim. 1:12, 2:10, 19; Heb. 11:39-12:2; I Peter 1:2-5, 13, 2:4-10; I John 1:7-9, 2:19, 3:2

THE CHURCH

A New Testament church of the Lord Jesus Christ is a local body of baptized believers who are associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the gospel, observing the two ordinances of Christ, committed to His teachings, exercising the gifts, and privileges invested in them by His word, and seeking to extend the gospel to the ends of the earth.

This church is an autonomous body, operating through democratic processes under the Lordship of Jesus Christ. In such a congregation members are equally responsible. Its Scriptural officers are pastors and deacons.

The New Testament speaks also of the church as the body of Christ which includes all of the redeemed of all ages.

Matt. 16:15-19, 18:15-20; Acts 2:41-42, 47, 5:11-14, 6:3-6, 13:1-3, 14:23,27, 15:1-30, 16:5, 20:28; Rom. 1:7; I Cor. 1:2, 3:16, 5:4-5,7:17, 9:13-14; 12; Eph. 1:22-23, 2:19-22, 3:8-11, 21, 5:22-32; Phil. 1:1; Col. 1:18; I Tim. 3:1-15, 4:14; I Peter 5:1-4; Rev. 2-3, 21:2-3.

BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. It is an act of obedience obedience whereby members of the church through partaking of the bread and the fruit of the vine, memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming. symbolizing the believer's faith in a crucified, and risen Savior. the believer's death to sin, the burial of the old life, and in the resurrection to walk in newness of life in Christ Jesus. It is a testimony to his faith in the final resurrection of the dead. Being a church ordinance, it is prerequisite to the privilege of church membership and to the Lord's Supper.

The Lord's Supper is a symbolic act of obedience whereby members of the church through partaking of the bread and the fruit

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of the vine, memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming.

Matt. 3:13-17, 26:26-30, 28:19-20; Mark 1:9-11, 14:22-26; Luke 3:21-22, 22:19-20; John 3:23; Acts 2:41-42, 8: 35-39, 16:30-33, 20:7; Rom. 6:3-5; I Cor. 10:16, 21, 11:23-29; Col. 2:12

THE LORD'S DAY

The first day of the week is the Lord's Day. It is a Christian institution for regular observance. It commemorates the resurrection of Christ from the dead and should be employed in exercises of worship and spiritual devotion, both public and private, and by refraining from worldly amusements, and resting from secular employment, work of necessity and mercy only being excepted.

Ex. 20:8-11; Matt. 12:1-12, 28:1 ff, Mark 2:27-28, 16:1-7; Luke 24:1-3, 33-36; John 4:21-24, 20:1, 19-28; Acts 20:7; I Cor. 16:1-2; Col. 2:16, 3:16; Rev. 1:10.

THE KINGDOM

The Kingdom of God includes, both His general sovereignty over the universe and His particular kingship over men who willfully acknowledge Him as King. Particularly the Kingdom is the realm of salvation into which men enter by trustful, childlike, commitment to Jesus Christ. Christians ought to pray and to labor that the Kingdom may come and God's will be done on earth. The full consummation of the Kingdom awaits the return of Jesus Christ and the end of this age.

Gen. 1:1; Isa. 9:6-7; Jer. 23:5-6; Matt. 3:2, 4:8-10, 23, 12:25-28, 13:1-52, 25:31-46, 26:29; Mark 1:14-15, 9:1; Luke 4: 43, 8:1, 9:2, 12:31-32, 17:20-21, 23:42; John 3:3, 18-36; Acts 1:6-7, 17:22-31; Rom. 5:17, 8:19; I Cor. 15:24-28; Col. 1:13; Heb. 11:10,16, 12:28; I Peter 2:4-10, 4:13; Rev. 1:6,9, 5:10, 11:15, 21-22

LAST THINGS

God, in His own time and in His own way, will bring the world to its appropriate end. According to His promise, Jesus Christ will

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return personally and visibly in glory to the earth; the dead will be raised; and Christ will judge all men in righteousness. The unrighteous will be consigned to Hell, the place of everlasting punishment. The righteous in their resurrected and glorified bodies will receive their reward and will dwell forever in Heaven with the Lord.

Isa. 2:4, 11:9; Matt. 16:27, 18: 8-9, 19: 28, 24:27, 30, 36, 44, 25:31-46, 26:64; Mark 8:38, 9:43-48; Lk. 12:40, 48, 16:19-26, 17:22-37, 21:27-28; John 14:1-3; Acts 1:11, 17:31; Rom. 14:10; I Cor. 4:5, 15:24-28, 35-58; 2 Cor. 5:10: Phil. 3:20-21; Col. 1:5; 3:4; I Thes. 4:14-18, 5:1ff, 2 Thes. 1:7ff; 2; I, Tim. 6:14; 2 Tim. 4:1, 8; Titus 2:13; Heb. 9:27-28; James 5:8; 2 Peter 3:7ff, I John 2:28, 3:2; Jude 14; Rev. 1:18, 3:11, 20:1 to 22:13.

EVANGELISM AND MISSIONS

It is the duty and privilege of every follower of Christ and of every church of the Lord Jesus Christ to endeavor to make disciples of all nations. The new birth of man's spirit by God's Holy Spirit means the birth of love for others. Missionary efforts on the part of all rests upon a spiritual necessity of the regenerate life, and is expressly and repeatedly commanded in the teachings of Christ. It is the duty of every child of God to seek constantly to win the lost to Christ by personal effort and by all other methods in harmony with the gospel of Christ.

Gen. 12:1-3; Ex. 19:5-6; Isa. 6:1-8; Matt. 9:37-38, 10:5-15, 13:18-30, 37-43, 16:19, 22:9-10, 24:14, 28:18-20; Luke 10:1-18, 24:46-53; John 14:11-12, 15:7-8, 16, 17:15, 20:21; Acts 1:8; 2; 8:26-40, 10:42-48, 13:2-3; Rom. 10:13-15; Eph.3:1-11; I Thes. 1:8; 2 Tim. 4:5; Heb. 2:1-3, 11:39 to 12:2; I Peter 2:4-10; Rev. 22:17

EDUCATION

The cause of education in the Kingdom of Christ is coordinate with the causes of missions and general benevolence, and should receive along with these the liberal support of the churches. An adequate system of Christian schools is necessary to a complete spiritual program for Christ's people.

In Christian education there should be a proper balance be

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tween academic freedom and academic responsibility. Freedom in any orderly relationship of human life is always limited and never absolute. The freedom of a teacher on a Christian school, college, or seminary is limited by the preeminence of Jesus Christ, by the authoritative nature of the Scriptures, and by the distinct purpose for which the school exists.

Deut. 4:1, 5, 9, 14, 6:1-10, 31:12-13; Neh. 8:1-8; Job 28:28; Psalm 19:7 ff, 119:11; Prov. 3:13 ff, 4:1-10, 8:1-7, 11, 15:14; Ecc. 7:19; Matt. 5:2, 7:24 ff, 28:19-20; Luke 2:40; I Cor. 1:18-31; Eph. 4:11-16; Phil. 4:8; Col. 2:3, 8-9; I Tim. 1:3-7; 2 Tim. 2:15, 3:14-17; Heb. 5:12 to 6:3; James 1:5, 3:17

STEWARDSHIP

God is the source of all blessings, temporal and spiritual; all that we have and are we owe to Him. Christians have a spiritual debtorship to the whole world, a trusteeship in the gospel, and a binding stewardship in their possessions. They are therefore under obligation to serve Him with their time, talents, and material possessions; and should recognize all these as entrusted to them to use for the glory of God and for helping others. According to the Scriptures, Christians should contribute of their means cheerfully, regularly, systematically, proportionately, and Him. Christians have a spiritual debtorship to the whole world, a trusteeship in the gospel, and a binding stewardship in their possessions. They are therefore under obligation to serve Him with their time, talents, and material possessions; and should recognize all these as entrusted to them to use for the glory of God and for helping others. According to the Scriptures, Christians should contribute of their means cheerfully, regularly, systematically, proportionately, and liberally for the advancement of the Redeemer's cause on earth.

Gen. 14:20; Lev. 27:30-32; Deut. 8:18; Mal. 3:8-12; Matt. 6:1-4, 19-21, 23:23, 25:14-29; Luke 12:16-21, 42, 16:1-13; Acts 2:44-47, 5:1-11, 17:24-25; Rom. 6:6-22, 12:1-2; I Cor. 4:1-2, 6:19-20; 12; 16:1-4; 2 Cor. 8-9, 12:15; Phil. 4:10-19; I Peter 1:18-19

COOPERATION

Christ's people should, as occasion requires, organize such associations and conventions as may best secure cooperation for the great objects of the Kingdom of God. Such organizations have no authority over one another or over the churches. They are voluntary and advisory bodies designed to elicit, combine, and direct the energies of our people in the most effective manner. Members of New Testament churches should cooperate with one another in carrying forward the missionary, educational, and benevolent ministries for the extension of Christ's Kingdom. Christian unity in the New Testament sense is spiritual harmony and voluntary cooperation for common ends by various groups of Christ's people. Cooperation is desirable between the various Christian denominations, when the end to be attained is itself justified, and when such cooperation involves no violation of conscience or compromise of loyalty to Christ and His Word as revealed in the New Testament.

Ex. 17:12, 18:17 ff; Judges 7:21; Ezra 1:3-4, 2:68-69, 5:14-15; Neh. 4; 8: 1-5; Matt. 10: 5-15, 20:1-16, 22:1-10, 28:19-20; Mark 2:3; Luke 10:1 ff; Acts 1:13-14, 2:1 ff, 4: 31-37, 13:2-3, 15: 1-35; I Cor. 1:10-17, 3:5-15; 12; 2 Cor. 8-9; Gal. 1:6-10; Eph. 4:1-16; Phil. 1:15-18

THE CHRISTIAN AND THE SOCIAL ORDER

Every Christian is under obligation to seek to make the will of Christ supreme in his own life and in human society. Means and methods used for the improvement of society and the establishment of righteousness among men can be truly and permanently helpful only when they are rooted in the regeneration of the individual by the saving grace of God in Christ Jesus. The Christian should oppose in the Spirit of Christ every form of greed, selfishness, and vice. He should work to provide for the orphaned, the needy, the aged, the helpless and the sick. Every Christian should seek to bring industry, government, and society as a whole under he sway of the principles of righteousness, truth and brotherly love. In order to promote these ends Christians should be ready to work with all men of good will in any good cause always being careful to act in the spirit of love without compromising their loyalty to Christ and His truth.

THE CHRISTIAN AND THE SOCIAL ORDER (continued)

Ex. 20:3-17; Lev. 6:2-5; Deut. 10:12, 27:17; Psalm 101:5; Micah 6:8; Zech. 8:16; Matt. 5:13-16, 43-48, 22:36-40, 25:35; Mark 1:29-34, 2:3 ff, 10:21; Luke 4:18-21, 10:27-37, 20-25; John 15:12, 17:15; Rom. 12-14; I Cor. 5:9-10, 6:1-7, 7:20-24, 10:23 to 11:1; Gal. 3:26-28; Eph. 6:5-9; Col. 3:12-17; I Thes. 3:12; Philemon; James 1:27, 2:8

PEACE AND WAR

It is the duty of Christians to seek peace with all men on principles of righteousness. In accordance with the spirit and teachings of Christ they should do all in their power to put an end to war. The true remedy for the war spirit is the gospel of our Lord. The supreme need of the world is the acceptance of His teachings in all the affairs of men and nations, and the practical application of His law of love.

Isa. 2:4; Matt. 5:9, 38-48, 6:33, 26:52; Luke 22:36, 38; Rom. 12:18-19, 13: 1-7, 14:19; Heb. 12:14; James 4:1-2

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

God alone is Lord of the conscience, and He has left it free from the doctrines and commandments of men which are contrary to His Word or not contained in it. Church and state should be separate. The state owes to every church protection and full freedom in the pursuit of its spiritual ends. In providing for such freedom no ecclesiastical group or denomination should be favored by the state more than others. Civil government being ordained of God, it is the duty of Christians to render loyal obedience thereto in all things not contrary to the revealed will of God. The church should not resort to the civil power to carry on its work. The Gospel of Christ contemplates spiritual means alone for the pursuit of its ends. The state has no right to impose penalties for religious opinions of any kind. The state has no right to impose taxes for the support of any form of religion. A free church in a free state is the Christian ideal, and this implies the right of free and unhindered access to God on the part of all men, and the right to form and prop-agate opinions in the sphere of religion without interference by the civil power.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY
(continued)

Gen. 1:27, 2:7; Matt. 6:6-7, 24, 16:26, 22:21; John 8:36; Acts 4:19-20; Rom. 6:1-2, 13:1-7; Gal. 5:1, 13; Phil. 3:20; I Tim. 2:1-2; James 4:12; I Peter 2:12-17, 3:11-17, 4:12-19

NOTES

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
PREAMBLE

For the purpose of preserving, propagating, and making articulate the principles of our faith and to the end that this body of cooperating churches may be governed in an orderly manner, consistent with the accepted tenets of associations of Missionary Baptist Churches, for the purpose of preserving the liberties inherent in each individual church, and in order to set forth the relationship of this body to other Baptist bodies, we do adopt and establish this Constitution.

Article I - Name and Membership

Section 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Missionary Baptist Association.

Section 2. This Association shall consist of all Missionary Baptist Churches in Ashe County, and communities closely adjacent thereto, of like faith and practice, who wish to affiliate with this Association and are loyal to the faith and practice of the Missionary Baptist Denomination.

Section 3. The membership of this body shall be the pastor and three (3) messengers from each church. A letter certifying their appointment and giving the statistics of the membership and work of the church shall be sent to the Associational office at least twenty (20) days before the opening session of the annual meeting.

Section 4. Any church reported to be irregular in faith or practice may be investigated by order of the Association and such action taken, as may be decided by the Association.

Section 5. The Association shall be sole judge of its membership and may receive churches according to the Association's Constitution and By-Laws. Any church in the Association which fails to cooperate with the Association for two consecutive years shall be contacted by the Executive Committee to ascertain the wishes and desires of the church relative to its continuance in the Association.

Article 1 - Name and Membership (continued)

A Cooperating church should be defined as one which sends a report (church letter) to the annual session, is represented (by messengers) at the annual session, represented (by Executive Committee members) at the regularly scheduled Executive Committee meetings, contributes to the financial program of the Association, and is in general sympathy with the purposes of the Association. The Association recognizes that any affiliated church has the right to withdraw its fellowship from the Association.

Article II - Purpose

Section 1. The purpose of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches of the Association in devising and promoting measures and programs for the spread of the gospel in our bounds and in all the world, in compliance with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the Southern Baptist Convention.

Article III - Annual Church Letters
(Annual Church Profile)

Section 1. The churches shall report annually statistical and general information upon a printed form furnished by the Associational office. The printed form shall be furnished to the church at least six weeks before the convening of an annual session of the Association and returned to the Associational office at least twenty (20) days before the opening session of the annual meeting.

Article IV - Officers and their Duties

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Associational Missionary, and the heads of such organizations as are set up and approved by the Association. The offices of Clerk and Treasurer may be the same person, at the discretion of the body.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Moderator of the Association (Vice-Moderator in his absence or disability) to preside over the

annual sessions and all special sessions, including the meetings of the Executive Committee. As the presiding officer, he shall open the meetings punctually at the appointed time, enforce the rules, preserve the order, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage. He shall name the committees and representatives of Institutions and agencies described in Sections 5, 6, and 8 of Article V of the Constitution at the opening of the annual session. He shall be elected for a one year term, and he cannot succeed himself after the second consecutive term.

Section 3. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of all proceedings of the Executive committee meetings, annual meetings, and make such available to the body and the Associational Missionary for printing and distribution.

Section 4. The treasurer shall have charge of all Associational funds as the Association may direct and make a report of receipts and disbursements at each annual meeting.

Section 5. (1) The Associational Missionary shall be elected upon a recommendation of the Committee on Missions, and by a vote of the Association at a regular scheduled meeting. The relationship between the Association and its Associational Missionary may be terminated following a reasonable notice of not less than 30 days.

(2) The Associational Missionary shall promote the work and witness of the Association and denomination, cooperating with the churches, their pastors and officers and Associational committees and organizations.

A. He shall be responsible for planning, promoting and executing the ministry of the Association in cooperation with the Committee on Missions.
B. He shall make an annual report to the Association at the August meeting.

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

C. He shall be ex-officio member of all committees of the Association, serving in an advisory and/or resource capacity.

D. He shall seek to visit each church in the Association in order to:
   (1) Enrich Christian fellowship among churches.
   (2) Encourage and strengthen the ministry of the churches.
   (3) Enhance the cooperative relationship between the churches and the Association.

E. He shall, when necessary, conduct surveys or inquiries, in order to determine specific needs for ministry with the area of the Association.

F. He shall, upon request, provide a list of qualified persons who may be considered by churches seeking pastors.

G. He shall have full administrative responsibility for all personnel employed by the Association.

H. Strengthen Program Organizations
   (1) Promote evangelism and church growth through total church organizations. Provide needed helps to enable churches to become better equipped in areas of church ministry.

I. Promote Missions
   (1) Encourage and lead in mission commitment of member churches utilizing Bold Mission Thrust Plans, by creating awareness to mission opportunities, new work, and by assisting in the development of church mission development programs, church extension, language missions, Christian social ministries, chaplaincy ministries, interfaith witness and special mission ministries.

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

(2) Give high priority to reaching the many unreached Hispanics through existing churches and in new work.

J. Develop Leadership

(1) Encourage and provide support for development and improvement in areas of church, ministry, dealing with crisis times, leadership, and supervision skills, etc. Approaches will include family ministry, seminary extensions, workshops and conferences for church secretaries, church clerks (Uniform Church Letter), non-salaried and salaried leaders, music workshops, pastors' retreats, and ethnic leadership development.

K. Nurture Fellowship

(1) Nurture fellowship among member churches.

(3) The Associational Missionary is entitled to two weeks vacation annually. Upon completion of five years service, the Associational Missionary shall be entitled to three weeks annual vacation, and after ten years, four weeks annual vacation. Vacation is to be taken within the calendar year, and it is not accumulative.

(4) Should there occur at any time a grievance on the part of the Association of the Associational Missionary, either party may consult with the Moderator and Chairman of the Missions Committee.

Section 6. The officers of the other organizations within the Association shall be nominated by their respective organizations and their names furnished, and presented to the Association for action at each annual session.

Section 7. The officers designated in Section 1, the Associational Missionary excepted, shall be elected at the morning session of

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

the first day of the annual meeting and shall assume their duties at the close of the annual meeting, at which they are elected, and serve until the close of the next session.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties

Section 1. The committees of the Association shall be: Executive Committee, Committee on New Churches, Program Committee, Committee on Place and Preacher, Resolutions Committee, Missions Committee, Nominating Committee, and such other committees as the Association may designate and name at any annual session. All committee members will serve for a period of three (3) years. Initially each committee will, with the consent of each member, designate which committee member will serve the three (3) year, two (2) year, and one (1) year term. After the completion of a term, no member shall be eligible for re-election to the committee until after the lapse of one year.

Section 2. The Associational Executive Committee shall be composed of one lay member of all churches, the pastors of such churches, and the officers of the Association, as listed under Section 1 of Article IV. Twelve members of this committee shall constitute a quorum to transact business, after notice of such meeting has been mailed, or otherwise given to all members of the committee at least three days prior to the proposed meeting. Members of this committee shall be elected by the churches annually.

Section 3. The Committee on Organized Churches shall consist of the Moderator, ex officio, three pastors, and three lay-persons. This committee shall be responsible for receiving letters of application for membership into the Association by organized Missionary Baptist Churches. This committee's responsibility shall be to communicate to applying churches the requirements of a cooperating church, as herein defined in Article I, section 5, paragraph 2 of the Ashe Baptist Association Constitution. Applying churches, upon recommendation of this committee, shall, with approval of the messengers at the annual session, serve one year under watch

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

care of the Association. This committee shall work with this church during this period and then make final recommendations at the next annual meeting.

Section 4. The Program Committee shall consist of five members who shall prepare an order of business for the annual meeting, including the designating of persons to make reports as to the various objects supported by the Churches of the Association. The Associational office shall prepare copies of the same for distribution to those attending the annual sessions of the Association.

Section 5. The Committee on Place and Preacher shall consist of three members, who may be appointed by the Moderator, with consent of the Association. At each annual session, this Committee shall recommend to the Association a place, or places, for the holding of the annual meeting of the Association, and shall designate a minister to deliver the Associational sermon and an alternate.

Section 6. The Resolutions Committee shall consist of three members to be appointed by the Moderator. This Committee shall prepare and submit to the Association such resolutions as it may consider pertinent and proper for the good of the body.

Section 7. The Nominating Committee shall name a Nominating Committee of five (5) members who shall bring to the second Executive Committee of the calendar year, (which is normally in April), for election of the following nominations: Clerk, Youth Director, Brotherhood Director, Discipleship Training Director, Evangelism Chairperson, Moderator, Music Director, Seminary Extension Director, Sunday School Director, and others who are invited to receive training at the Key Leadership Conference by the Baptist State Convention, (which is normally in May).

This Committee shall also present at the annual meeting for election all of the other committee members which are covered herein. Organizational heads will be named by their respective organizations and presented to the Nominating Committee at least two weeks before their nominations are presented to the Executive

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

Committee at their second meeting, (which is normally in April).

If the organizations do not present their respective organizational heads two weeks prior to the April Executive Committee, then the Nominating Committee will select those needed and present their names to the second Executive Committee meeting (normally in April). The chairman of the Nominating Committee will contact these organizational heads before making these selections to be sure they have not already selected someone.

All other nominations shall be presented and elected on the first day of the annual meeting of the Association. All nominations at the Executive Committee meeting and the annual meeting are subject to additional nominations from the floor, and the expressed will of the Association.

Section 8. The Moderator is authorized and directed to appoint suitable persons at each session to prepare and present to the next session reports on the various subjects and causes customary to be presented and to notify such persons in due time before the meeting of the Association. (Refer to Article IV, Section 2.)

Section 9. The Board of Directors of the Ashe Baptist Summer Camp shall consist of nine members who shall initially be chosen, three (3) for one year, three (3) for two years, and three (3) for three years.

Of the said members, three shall be active pastors in the Association. After the completion of one term, no member shall be eligible for re-election to this board until after the lapse of one year. No more than one member of this board shall be chosen from any one church of the Association. The treasurer of the Ashe Baptist Summer Camp, (who shall serve in addition to the nine member Board of Directors), shall be elected by the Board of Directors on an indefinite basis. He/She shall have voting privileges as do other members.

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to cooperate with the officials, pastors, and Executive Committee of the Association in promoting and advancing the development and operation of the camp; to supervise and direct the work of the camp; and to make a report to the Association at each annual meeting. Vacancies

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

occurring in this organization shall be filled in accordance with the provision of Section 7 thereof.

Section 10. The Mission Committee shall consist of seven (7) members, five (5) of which shall be heads of the following organizations: Sunday School, Discipleship Training, Brotherhood, WMU and Church Music. The names of these five (5) shall be submitted to the Associational Nominating Committee by their respective organizations and voted on by the full body on the first day of the annual meeting. The other two (2) members shall be active pastors in the Association and they shall be named by the Associational Nominating Committee. They too shall be elected along with the organizational heads. Should any of the before mentioned organizations fail to submit the name of a person nominated by themselves to serve as head of that organization, then the Associational Nominating Committee shall be responsible for nominating that person.

These seven (7) people shall constitute the Associational Missionary Search Committee, when such a need arises. This Committee shall work with the Associational Missionary in promoting the work of the Association and lead and assist in determining need for beginning new missions stations and organizing new churches. The Moderator and Associational Missionary shall be ex officio members of this committee.

Section 11. The Ordination Committee shall consist of five (5) members, all of whom must be ordained ministers, meeting the qualifications as stated in I Timothy 3:1-7, and who are members of cooperating churches of the Ashe Baptist Association. The Chairman, at his discretion, may invite the pastor of a candidate to sit with the committee. Churches of the Association desiring to ordain a preacher to the Gospel ministry, and desiring to use the services of the Ordination Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association, shall use the following procedure.

1. The Church in conference shall vote to ask the Ordination Committee to examine the candidate and so notify the chairman.
2. The candidate shall meet the following conditions

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

before ordination:

(a) Hold membership in a cooperating Missionary Baptist church.

(b) Shall have held a license to preach, issued by a cooperating Missionary Baptist Church for not less than six months.

3. The chairman shall set a suitable time and place, notifying the members, for the examination.
4. The candidate shall be examined as to his conversion, call to the ministry, doctrinal beliefs, and attitude toward our denomination and its programs.
5. The Committee Chairman shall notify the church of its recommendations and they may proceed with the ordination.

Section 12. The Evangelism Committee, composed of 5 members, shall promote the work of Evangelism in the churches and the Association in cooperation with the State Department of Evangelism. All plans and programs are to be subject to the approval of the Association, or its Executive Committee.

Section 13. The Nominating Committee shall nominate a Committee on Constitution and By-Laws consisting of five members, of which the first named shall serve as chairman. It shall be the duty of this committee to receive, examine and make recommendations to the Association on all proposed amendments to the Constitution or the By-Laws.

Section 14. The Nominating Committee shall nominate a Properties Committee, which shall consist of three members, and shall have the responsibility of recommending the purchase of necessary property, and the construction of necessary buildings. This Committee shall recommend any repairs and improvements needed on Associational property beyond normal repair. All recommendations are subject to approval by the Executive Committee between sessions or the full-body session.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

Section 15. The Committee on Finance, composed of five (5) members and the treasurer, shall study the Association's financial needs for an adequate program, prepare and present a budget to the Association for the following year, devise and develop plans for securing the cooperation of churches in providing funds to meet the budget. The treasurer will submit a complete financial report at the annual meeting in August.

Section 16. The Committee on Youth shall be composed of at least nine (9) members, three (3) of whom shall be ministers. The Chairman, also called "Youth Director," shall be selected from within their own ranks. The Committee shall be concerned with ways of relating youth to the churches of the Association and shall lead the Churches and Association to plan programs and activities that will meet their needs.

Section 17. The Seminary Extension Committee, composed of five (5) members, shall work with the chairman of the Committee to plan, promote and implement the offering of such courses of study as will meet the needs of pastors and lay-persons in the areas of Biblical studies, historical theology, Baptist life, church administration, Christian education, and pastoral training.

Section 18. There shall be five (5) trustees of the Association. They shall handle all legal matters of the Association under the direction of the said Association. Trustees shall be elected for an indefinite term and shall serve at the pleasure of the Association.

Section 19. The Associational Historian, in his/her sole discretion, shall collect facts of interest to the Association and the cooperating churches, and shall make a report to each annual session of the Association. In addition, he/she shall contact hosting churches of the annual meeting and request a brief history of each church for publication in the Book of Reports and the Associational Annual.

Article VI
Meetings and Reports

Section 1. The Association shall hold an annual meeting conven-

ing in the month of August of each year, at such time and place as may be designated or authorized by the previous session.

Section 2. Each organization within the Association shall make a written report to the Association at each annual meeting.

Section 3. A special session of the Association may be called by the Moderator with the approval of the Executive Committee.

Section 4. The Associational Executive Committee shall meet quarterly.

Article VII
Order of Religious Exercises

Section 1. At the annual meeting the Associational Sermon shall be delivered as herein before provided.

Section 2. In addition to the Associational Sermon, the Program Committee shall designate a minister to deliver at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while such sermons are being delivered. No sermon shall be scheduled so as to conflict or interfere with the business sessions of the Association or the presentation of reports to the Association.

Article VIII
Amendments

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present, and voting on the second day, provided that such amendment is presented in writing on the first day, or that notice of such amendment shall have been given during the previous annual session.

Church Statistical Information 2000/2001

1. Congregational Summary
2. Sunday School and Music
3. Discipleship Training
4. General Financial
5. Member and Congregational
6. Mission Financial

Important Note: Those churches who have not provided an Annual Church Profile are excluded from these reports.

Congregation Summary 2000/2001

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Legend: 3 --- Total Baptisms 4 -- Other Additions 1 -- Total Membership

15 -- Total SS Enrollment 16 -- SS Avg. Weekly Attendance

CONGREGATION	C/M	3	4	1	15	16
Apple Grove, Lansing	C	1	5	59	30	30
Bald Mountain, W. Je	C	19	22	582	373	180
Beaver Creek, W Jeff	C	6	0	147	60	50
Big Flatts, Fleetwoo	C	0	0	101	37	20
Blue Ridge, W Jeffer	C	0	0	46	8	8
Bristol, Jefferson	C	1	9	320	120	98
Buffalo, W. Jefferso	C	0	1	106	79	55
Calvary, W. Jefferso	C	0	4	64	37	30
Clifton, Warrensvill	C	7	3	292	108	100
Cove Creek, Sugar Gr	C	9	7	309	143	55
Cristo El Salvador	M	0	0	41	41	41
Fletcher Memorial	C	2	20	382	101	101
Friendly Grove, W. J	C	5	12	143	140	66
Friendship, Jefferso	C	10	0	408	176	96
Glendale Springs, Gl	C	2	3	186	142	90
Grassy Creek	C	3	4	145	42	27
Healing Springs, Cru	C	1	4	186	58	60
Highlands Community	M	0	0	17	0	0
Landmark Bapt, Jeffe	C	5	6	162	87	87
Laurel Knob, Todd	C	0	1	83	43	0
Liberty Grove, Deep	C	5	3	194	77	44
Little Helton, W. Je	C	0	0	94	53	32
Midway, W. Jefferson	C	5	11	300	191	75
Mission Home, Fleetw	C	1	3	161	72	62
Mount Olive, Fleetwo	C	1	5	85	81	55
New River, Piney Cre	C	7	6	256	125	79
North Beaver, W. Jef	C	5	0	197	101	46
Oak Hill, Lansing	C	0	4	152	40	27
Obids, W. Jefferson	C	5	1	55	33	30
Old Fields, Fleetwoo	C	0	1	102	56	39
Orion, Jefferson	C	2	2	172	71	40
Peak Valley, Creston	C	0	0	14	32	25
Phoenix, Lansing	C	1	1	159	84	53
Pilot Mountain, Todd	C	0	0	82	17	16
Pine Swamp, W. Jeffe	C	0	2	71	37	30
Pleasant Home, Grass	C	0	4	146	85	50
Pleasant Valley, Jef	C	5	1	69	17	6
Round Knob, W. Jeffe	C	0	5	134	39	26
Tuckerdale, Lansing	C	11	5	183	123	79
Wagoner, Jefferson	C	0	0	86	28	20
Warrensville	C	7	10	338	179	96
Welcome Home, Jeffer	C	7	18	134	61	60
Total:		140	191	7,278	3,750	2,325

Congregation Summary 2000/2001

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

DTEN (19+20) -- Total DT Enrollment/Participation

21 -- Total Music Ministry Enrollment

18 -- Vacation Bible School

23 -- Total WMU Enrollment

24 -- Total Brotherhood Enrollment

18	DTEN	21	23	24	TRE	29	30	TME
0	0	0	0	0	$12,000	$0	$0	$0
263	25	108	74	90	$408,063	$12,837	$5,040	$29,031
65	0	30	11	0	$41,921	$0	$1,517	$2,817
33	0	0	0	0	$15,248	$0	$650	$2,653
15	0	0	0	0	$15,248	$0	$650	$2,653
125	0	42	0	0	$72,804	$2,965	$2,646	$6,461
65	0	38	9	0	$44,290	$0	$375	$1,645
45	21	20	10	0	$11,671	$100	$200	$1,122
120	0	68	20	0	$78,450	$1,907	$2,407	$8,764
82	29	32	31	26	$106,923	$6,321	$2,106	$16,345
0	3	12	0	0	$4,540	$0	$0	$0
101	92	35	38	32	$177,082	$13,549	$9,481	$45,302
125	53	46	64	0	$108,962	$3,000	$3,000	$19,907
191	118	0	40	63	$172,449	$22,200	$3,000	$39,944
110	0	71	0	10	$97,072	$420	$2,410	$18,188
40	0	19	0	0	$56,449	$2,877	$840	$8,117
50	8	20	13	8	$66,937	$1,683	$1,554	$7,024
0	13	0	11	0	$21,555	$400	$400	$2,791
97	0	61	29	23	$110,438	$0	$1,200	$7,050
0	19	15	0	0	$62,185	$1,000	$5,069	$16,134
58	77	32	15	10	$86,884	$1,500	$2,300	$20,146
33	0	0	0	0	$13,286	$88	$200	$288
75	71	63	28	21	$103,400	$9,080	$1,000	$26,203
82	42	27	26	4	$72,291	$3,600	$1,325	$13,011
55	0	0	0	0	$0	$350	$1,000	$1,980
81	12	46	10	0	$122,005	$5,312	$4,250	$58,322
85	31	20	0	0	$42,502	$900	$1,800	$4,563
36	0	27	0	0	$26,476	$0	$240	$3,763
53	0	20	0	0	$23,299	$400	$600	$1,325
58	17	11	12	10	$48,458	$8,046	$3,100	$21,349
0	0	25	22	0	$64,058	$3,391	$2,861	$10,832
0	0	0	0	0	$8,852	$0	$0	$100
123	32	45	14	25	$66,090	$750	$833	$3,225
0	0	14	0	0	$5,246	$0	$0	$0
15	0	0	0	0	$15,047	$0	$150	$555
67	0	12	0	0	$45,360	$907	$2,722	$6,240
0	0	19	0	0	$6,813	$0	$0	$0
42	51	22	0	0	$28,193	$105	$793	$1,093
100	0	0	0	0	$43,138	$750	$1,500	$5,600
30	0	11	0	0	$21,919	$104	$1,040	$4,444
146	0	79	10	25	$139,127	$1,800	$1,350	$9,160
139	0	30	17	16	$45,505	$3,192	$1,674	$6,634
2,925	802	1,197	522	363	$2,994,977	$122,296	$79,783	$471,925

Sunday School Enrollment Information 2000/2001

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Legend: 15 -- Total SS Enrollment 15a -- SS 0-5 15b -- SS 6-11 15c -- SS 12-17

CONGREGATION	C/M	15	15a	15b	15c
Apple Grove, Lansing	C	30	3	2	0
Bald Mountain, W. Je	C	373	45	36	51
Beaver Creek, W Jeff	C	60	7	11	10
Big Flatts, Fleetwoo	C	37	4	5	0
Blue Ridge, W Jeffer	C	8	0	0	2
Bristol, Jefferson	C	120	8	18	6
Buffalo, W. Jefferso	C	79	5	5	5
Calvary, W. Jefferso	C	37	1	3	3
Clifton, Warrensvill	C	108	4	12	7
Cristo El Salvador	M	41	2	7	5
Fletcher Memorial	C	101	7	9	10
Friendly Grove, W. J	C	140	13	14	5
Friendship, Jefferso	C	176	10	28	22
Glendale Springs, Gl	C	142	15	12	11
Grassy Creek	C	42	4	5	1
Healing Springs, Cru	C	58	7	7	4
Highlands Community	M	0	0	0	0
Landmark Bapt, Jeffe	C	87	7	6	8
Laurel Knob, Todd	C	43	6	5	2
Liberty Grove, Deep	C	77	11	6	2
Little Helton, W. Je	C	53	4	3	4
Midway, W. Jefferson	C	191	9	19	22
Mission Home, Fleetw	C	72	4	0	15
Mount Olive, Fleetwo	C	81	7	6	7
New River, Piney Cre	C	125	12	16	20
North Beaver, W. Jef	C	101	4	11	10
Oak Hill, Lansing	C	40	1	2	2
Obids, W. Jefferson	C	33	2	1	5
Old Fields, Fleetwoo	C	56	1	2	3
Orion, Jefferson	C	71	6	6	4
Peak Valley, Creston	C	32	3	5	3
Phoenix, Lansing	C	84	7	13	6
Pilot Mountain, Todd	C	17	0	1	1
Pine Swamp, W. Jeffe	C	37	2	6	4
Pleasant Home, Grass	C	85	6	5	7
Pleasant Valley, Jef	C	17	0	0	0
Round Knob, W. Jeffe	C	39	2	3	3
Tuckerdale, Lansing	C	123	10	18	6
Wagoner, Jefferson	C	28	2	1	0
Warrensville	C	179	18	21	26
Welcome Home, Jeffer	C	61	5	14	5
Total:		3,750	311	396	374

Sunday School Enrollment Information 2000/2001

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

15d -- SS 18-24 15e -- SS 25-34 15f -- SS 35-54 15g -- SS 55 up

15d	15e	15f	15g	15h	15i	*16*	*17*	*18*
2	2	10	11	0	0	30	0	0
26	40	90	65	2	18	180	28	263
2	7	12	11	0	0	50	2	65
0	6	8	12	2	0	20	0	33
0	0	3	3	0	0	8	0	15
3	20	20	27	18	0	98	5	125
4	8	20	30	2	0	55	10	65
2	0	10	13	5	0	30	2	45
5	15	30	25	10	0	100	20	120
6	7	10	3	1	0	41	0	0
5	21	18	28	3	0	101	2	101
2	6	6	52	7	35	66	0	125
0	17	57	40	2	0	96	15	191
2	11	31	58	2	0	90	8	110
0	2	8	22	0	0	27	7	40
3	15	0	20	2	0	60	0	50
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	10	25	20	3	0	87	0	97
4	0	20	0	6	0	0	0	0
6	10	17	23	2	0	44	0	58
3	0	16	19	4	0	32	11	33
6	21	16	30	4	64	75	8	75
6	6	19	21	1	0	62	0	82
8	13	23	9	8	0	55	0	55
24	4	20	27	2	0	79	3	81
9	3	17	22	0	25	46	10	85
0	1	8	26	0	0	27	1	36
0	4	10	11	0	0	30	0	53
5	2	10	31	2	0	39	10	58
3	10	15	25	2	0	40	2	0
1	10	0	10	0	0	25	0	0
10	13	10	22	3	0	53	2	123
0	2	4	9	0	0	16	0	0
1	1	8	14	1	0	30	3	15
3	14	20	16	6	8	50	6	61
2	0	4	4	0	7	6	0	0
6	3	10	7	5	0	26	10	42
5	12	24	24	4	20	79	4	100
0	2	4	14	4	1	20	3	30
15	9	48	38	4	0	96	46	146
6	11	8	10	2	0	60	0	139
222	381	777	984	127	226	2,325	218	2,925

15h -- SS General Officers 15i -- Other Bible Study 16 -- SS Avg Weekly Attendance

17 -- Non-Cong Members 18 -- Vacation Bible School

Discipleship Training Information Summary 2000/2001

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Legend: 19 -- Total Ongoing Discipleship Training 19a -- Ongoing Preschool B-5

19b -- Ongoing Child 6-11 19c -- Ongoing Youth 12-17

CONGREGATION	C/M	19	19a	19b	19c
Apple Grove, Lansing	C	0	0	0	0
Bald Mountain, W. Je	C	0	0	0	0
Beaver Creek, W Jeff	C	0	0	0	0
Big Flatts, Fleetwoo	C	0	0	0	0
Big Laurel, West Jef	C	0	0	0	0
Blue Ridge, W Jeffer	C	0	0	0	0
Bristol, Jefferson	C	0	0	0	0
Buffalo, W. Jefferso	C	6	0	0	0
Calvary, W. Jefferso	C	21	1	0	4
Clifton, Warrensvill	C	0	0	0	0
Cristo El Salvador	M	8	0	1	2
Fletcher Memorial	C	92	5	10	11
Friendly Grove, W. J	C	53	12	21	12
Friendship, Jefferso	C	112	7	28	15
Glendale Springs, Gl	C	0	0	0	0
Grassy Creek	C	0	0	0	0
Healing Springs, Cru	C	8	0	5	2
Highlands Community	M	13	0	0	0
Landmark Bapt, Jeffe	C	0	0	0	0
Laurel Knob, Todd	C	19	0	0	3
Liberty Grove, Deep	C	77	11	6	2
Little Helton, W. Je	C	0	0	0	0
Midway, W. Jefferson	C	71	12	7	14
Mission Home, Fleetw	C	42	0	2	14
Mount Olive, Fleetwo	C	0	0	0	0
New River, Piney C e	C	12	0	0	0
North Beaver, W. Jef	C	31	0	4	4
Oak Hill, Lansing	C	0	0	0	0
Obids, W. Jefferson	C	0	0	0	0
Old Fields, Fleetwoo	C	17	0	0	2
Orion, Jefferson	C	0	0	0	0
Peak Valley, Creston	C	0	0	0	0
Phoenix, Lansing	C	32	0	2	3
Pilot Mountain, Todd	C	0	0	0	0
Pine Swamp, W. Jeffe	C	0	0	0	0
Pleasant Home, Grass	C	0	0	0	0
Pleasant Valley, Jef	C	0	0	0	0
Round Knob, W. Jeffe	C	27	0	1	0
Tuckerdale, Lansing	C	0	0	0	0
Wagoner, Jefferson	C	0	0	0	0
Warrensville	C	0	0	0	0
Welcome Home, Jeffer	C	0	0	0	0
Total:		715	48	95	110

Discipleship Training Information Summary 2000/2001

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

19d -- Ongoing Adult 18-up *19e -- DT Gen. Officers* *20 -- Total Short-Term DT*

20a -- Short-Term Preschool *20b -- Short-Term Children* *20c -- Short-Term Youth*

19d	19e	20	20a	20b	20c	20d	DTEN
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	25	0	0	0	25	25
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
15	1	0	0	0	0	0	21
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
65	1	0	0	0	0	0	92
0	8	0	0	0	0	0	53
60	2	6	0	0	0	6	118
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	8
12	1	0	0	0	0	0	13
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	0	0	0	0	0	0	19
57	1	0	0	0	0	0	77
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
36	2	0	0	0	0	0	71
25	1	0	0	0	0	0	42
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	1	0	0	0	0	0	12
17	6	0	0	0	0	0	31
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	2	0	0	0	0	0	17
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25	2	0	0	0	0	0	32
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25	1	24	0	1	2	21	51
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
431	**33**	**87**	**0**	**1**	**12**	**84**	**802**

General Financial Information 2000/2001

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Legend: 26 -- Undesignated Gifts

CONGREGATION	C/M	26
Apple Grove, Lansing	C	$12,000
Bald Mountain, W. Je	C	$213,952
Beaver Creek, W Jeff	C	$41,921
Big Flatts, Fleetwoo	C	$14,373
Blue Ridge, W Jeffer	C	$14,373
Bristol, Jefferson	C	$66,159
Buffalo, W. Jefferso	C	$36,000
Calvary, W. Jefferso	C	$11,471
Clifton, Warrensvill	C	$62,450
Cristo El Salvador	M	$4,540
Fletcher Memorial	C	$158,110
Friendly Grove, W. J	C	$89,055
Friendship, Jefferso	C	$170,797
Glendale Springs, Gl	C	$88,209
Grassy Creek	C	$44,557
Healing Springs, Cru	C	$27,766
Highlands Community	M	$21,555
Landmark Bapt, Jeffe	C	$50,434
Laurel Knob, Todd	C	$52,445
Liberty Grove, Deep	C	$82,810
Little Helton, W. Je	C	$4,342
Midway, W. Jefferson	C	$90,793
Mission Home, Fleetw	C	$72,291
Mount Olive, Fleetwo	C	$0
New River, Piney Cre	C	$106,240
North Beaver, W. Jef	C	$1,000
Oak Hill, Lansing	C	$22,958
Obids, W. Jefferson	C	$22,049
Old Fields, Fleetwoo	C	$42,250
Orion, Jefferson	C	$56,747
Peak Valley, Creston	C	$7,734
Phoenix, Lansing	C	$46,942
Pilot Mountain, Todd	C	$5,087
Pine Swamp, W. Jeffe	C	$14,747
Pleasant Home, Grass	C	$33,708
Pleasant Valley, Jef	C	$6,452
Round Knob, W. Jeffe	C	$28,193
Tuckerdale, Lansing	C	$36,993
Wagoner, Jefferson	C	$20,331
Warrensville	C	$89,825
Welcome Home, Jeffer	C	$35,530
Total:		$2,293,736

General Financial Information 2000/2001

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

...27 -- Designated Gifts 28 -- Other Receipts

TRE -Total Receipts (26+27+28) 36 -- Value Cong. Property 37 -- Congregational Debt

27	28	TRE	36	37
$0	$0	$12,000	$33,000	$0
$194,111	$0	$408,063	$2,000,000	$500,000
$0	$0	$41,921	$200,000	$11,000
$875	$0	$15,248	$130,000	$0
$875	$0	$15,248	$130,000	$0
$6,123	$522	$72,804	$100,000	$0
$8,000	$290	$44,290	$230,000	$0
$200	$0	$11,671	$245,000	$0
$15,000	$1,000	$78,450	$350,000	$16,000
$0	$0	$4,540	$0	$0
$16,780	$2,192	$177,082	$1,120,884	$0
$19,907	$0	$108,962	$900,000	$0
$802	$850	$172,449	$698,700	$0
$7,585	$1,278	$97,072	$400,000	$0
$10,537	$1,355	$56,449	$250,000	$0
$35,050	$4,121	$66,937	$130,000	$0
$0	$0	$21,555	$3,000	$0
$60,004	$0	$110,438	$181,400	$75,000
$8,692	$1,048	$62,185	$300,000	$0
$4,074	$0	$86,884	$396,550	$0
$8,944	$0	$13,286	$69,855	$0
$8,748	$3,859	$103,400	$650,000	$0
$0	$0	$72,291	$85,600	$0
$0	$0	$0	$120,000	$0
$15,619	$146	$122,005	$250,000	$0
$0	$41,502	$42,502	$352,000	$0
$3,518	$0	$26,476	$154,000	$0
$1,250	$0	$23,299	$85,000	$0
$6,047	$161	$48,458	$250,000	$0
$7,259	$52	$64,058	$300,000	$0
$1,118	$0	$8,852	$26,400	$0
$17,087	$2,061	$66,090	$500,000	$20,450
$159	$0	$5,246	$271,400	$0
$300	$0	$15,047	$180,000	$0
$11,652	$0	$45,360	$200,000	$0
$361	$0	$6,813	$30,000	$0
$0	$0	$28,193	$140,000	$0
$6,145	$0	$43,138	$575,000	$12,031
$1,588	$0	$21,919	$156,700	$0
$40,745	$8,557	$139,127	$510,750	$55,000
$9,975	$0	$45,505	$197,700	$0
$602,027	**$99,214**	**$2,994,977**	**$15,287,939**	**$991,725**

Congregation and Member Information Summary 2000/2001

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Legend: 1 -- Total Membership 2 -- Resident Membership 4 -- Other Additions 5 - New Member Training

CONGREGATION	C/M	1	2	4	5
Apple Grove, Lansing	C	59	53	5	0
Bald Mountain, W. Je	C	582	515	22	0
Beaver Creek, W Jeff	C	147	100	0	0
Big Flatts, Fleetwoo	C	101	68	0	0
Blue Ridge, W Jeffer	C	46	30	0	0
Bristol, Jefferson	C	320	297	9	4
Buffalo, W. Jefferso	C	106	95	1	0
Calvary, W. Jefferso	C	64	50	4	0
Clifton, Warrensvill	C	292	235	3	0
Cristo El Salvador	M	41	41	0	10
Fletcher Memorial	C	382	342	20	0
Friendly Grove, W. J	C	143	140	12	0
Friendship, Jefferso	C	408	364	0	0
Glendale Springs, Gl	C	186	128	3	0
Grassy Creek	C	145	83	4	0
Healing Springs, Cru	C	186	100	4	0
Highlands Community	M	17	17	0	0
Landmark Bapt, Jeffe	C	162	141	6	0
Laurel Knob, Todd	C	83	50	1	0
Liberty Grove, Deep	C	194	73	3	0
Little Helton, W. Je	C	94	44	0	0
Midway, W. Jefferson	C	300	237	11	0
Mission Home, Fleetw	C	161	144	3	0
Mount Olive, Fleetwo	C	85	73	5	0
New River, Piney Cre	C	256	133	6	0
North Beaver, W. Jef	C	197	150	0	0
Oak Hill, Lansing	C	152	129	4	0
Obids, W. Jefferson	C	55	53	1	0
Old Fields, Fleetwoo	C	102	78	1	0
Orion, Jefferson	C	172	153	2	0
Peak Valley, Creston	C	14	14	0	0
Phoenix, Lansing	C	159	135	1	1
Pilot Mountain, Todd	C	82	82	0	0
Pine Swamp, W. Jeffe	C	71	48	2	0
Pleasant Home, Grass	C	146	109	4	0
Pleasant Valley, Jef	C	69	30	1	0
Round Knob, W. Jeffe	C	134	90	5	27
Tuckerdale, Lansing	C	183	152	5	0
Wagoner, Jefferson	C	86	25	0	0
Warrensville	C	338	270	10	0
Welcome Home, Jeffer	C	134	100	18	0
Total:		7,278	5,671	191	60

Congregation and Member Information Summary 2000/2001

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

6 -- Year Organized 7 -- Year Pastor Came 8-- Location (A-J)
11 -- Church-Type Missions Operating 12 -- Lost/Unchurched 13 -- Assoc. Mis on % Basis
9 -- AM Worship Att. 10 -- Church-Type Misions Started

6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
1889	1986	A	40	0	0 N	N	N		
1810	1991	A	300	0	0 Y	N	Y		
1890	1990	A	70	0	0 N	Y	N		
1905	1995	A	20	0	0 N	N	N		
1887	1994	A	10	0	0 Y	Y	Y		
1883	1973	B	160	0	0 N	N	Y		
1869	1997	A	60	0	0 Y	Y	Y		
1960	1995	C	38	0	0 Y	N	Y		
1891	1995	C	135	0	0 Y	Y	N		
1998	1997	B	41	0	0 N	N	Y	3	
1953	1999	C	152	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
1945	1999	A	80	0	0 Y	N	Y	1	
1880	2000	A	167	0	0 Y	Y	Y		
1914	1992	A	120	0	0 N	Y	Y	1	
1929	1997	B	45	0	0 N	Y	N		
1884	1998	A	65	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
1998	1998	A	30	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
1856	1998	A	120	0	4 N	N	N		
1912	1984	A	45	0	0 N	Y	Y		
1915	1999	A	58	0	0 N	Y	Y	1	
1923	1991	A	32	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
1954	1998	A	105	0	0 Y	N	Y		
1892	1997	A	82	0	0 Y	Y	Y		
1941	1996	A	60	0	0 N	Y	Y		
1885	1999	A	85	0	0 Y	Y	Y		
1943	1990	A	100	0	0 Y	Y	Y		
1927	1999	A	32	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
1892	1995	A	40	0	0 Y	Y	Y		
1803	1995	A	60	0	0 N	Y	N		
1911	1996	A	70	0	0 Y	Y	Y		
1892	2000	A	25	0	0 N	N	N		
1908	1997	A	50	0	0 Y	Y	Y		
1886	1998	A	21	0	0 Y	Y	N	1	
1948	1998	A	40	0	0 N	N	N		
1870	1996	B	65	0	0 Y	Y	N		
1929	1999	A	26	0	0 Y	N	N		
1929	1999	A	32	0	0 Y	Y	Y		
1915	1997	A	79	0	0 N	N	Y	1	
1949	1997	A	30	0	0 N	N	N		
1870	1996	A	205	2	14 Y	N	Y		
1933	1999	A	85	0	0 Y	Y	Y	1	
			3,351	**2**	**18**				

Missions Financial Information 2000/2001

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Legend: 29 -- Cooperative Programs 30 -- Assoc. Missions

CONGREGATION	C/M	29	30
Apple Grove, Lansing	C	$0	$0
Bald Mountain, W. Je	C	$12,837	$5,040
Beaver Creek, W Jeff	C	$0	$1,517
Big Flatts, Fleetwoo	C	$0	$650
Blue Ridge, W Jeffer	C	$0	$650
Bristol, Jefferson	C	$2,965	$2,646
Buffalo, W. Jefferso	C	$0	$375
Calvary, W. Jefferso	C	$100	$200
Clifton, Warrensvill	C	$1,907	$2,407
Cristo El Salvador	M	$0	$0
Fletcher Memorial	C	$13,549	$9,481
Friendly Grove, W. J	C	$3,000	$3,000
Friendship, Jefferso	C	$22,200	$3,000
Glendale Springs, Gl	C	$420	$2,410
Grassy Creek	C	$2,877	$840
Healing Springs, Cru	C	$1,683	$1,554
Highlands Community	M	$400	$400
Landmark Bapt, Jeffe	C	$0	$1,200
Laurel Knob, Todd	C	$1,000	$5,069
Liberty Grove, Deep	C	$1,500	$2,300
Little Helton, W. Je	C	$88	$200
Midway, W. Jefferson	C	$9,080	$1,000
Mission Home, Fleetw	C	$3,600	$1,325
Mount Olive, Fleetwo	C	$350	$1,000
New River, Piney Cre	C	$5,312	$4,250
North Beaver, W. Jef	C	$900	$1,800
Oak Hill, Lansing	C	$0	$240
Obids, W. Jefferson	C	$400	$600
Old Fields, Fleetwoo	C	$8,046	$3,100
Orion, Jefferson	C	$3,391	$2,861
Peak Valley, Creston	C	$0	$0
Phoenix, Lansing	C	$750	$833
Pilot Mountain, Todd	C	$0	$0
Pine Swamp, W. Jeffe	C	$0	$150
Pleasant Home, Grass	C	$907	$2,722
Pleasant Valley, Jef	C	$0	$0
Round Knob, W. Jeffe	C	$105	$793
Tuckerdale, Lansing	C	$750	$1,500
Wagoner, Jefferson	C	$104	$1,040
Warrensville	C	$1,800	$1,350
Welcome Home, Jeffer	C	$3,192	$1,674
Total:		$122,296	$79,783

Missions Financial Information 2000/2001

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

34-- Other SBC Miss. Exp.

31 -- State Missions 32 -- Annie Armstrong 33 -- Lottie Moon
35 -- Non-SBC Miss. Exp. TME -- Total Mission Expenditures (29-35)

31	32	33	34	35	TME
$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
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$2,300	$3,025	$4,719	$2,300	$2,400	$39,944
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$200	$275	$275	$658	$2,992	$8,117
$931	$333	$455	$759	$1,309	$7,024
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$0	$103	$210	$0	$1,550	$4,563
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$25	$1,370	$1,822	$0	$6,986	$21,349
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$305	$50	$50	$0	$0	$555
$907	$1,059	$645	$0	$0	$6,240
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$1,000	$236	$382	$0	$150	$6,634
$23,572	**$30,703**	**$59,906**	**$33,726**	**$121,940**	**$471,925**

NOTES

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

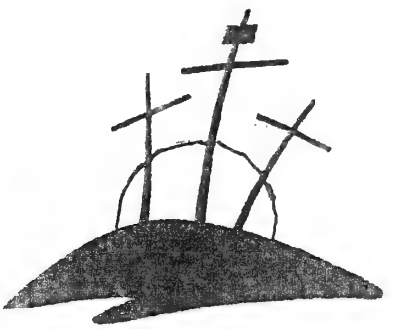
One Hundred Fifteenth
Annual Session

Friday, August 17, 2001
Hosted by
Warrensville Baptist Church

Saturday, August 18, 2001
Hosted by
Grassy Creek Baptist Church

ONE HUNDRED FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association



Meeting on Friday, August 17, 2001
Host Church, Warrensville Baptist Church

Meeting on Saturday, August 18, 2001
Host Church, Grassy Creek Baptist Church

A Special Thanks
Rev. David Blackburn, Director of Missions
and Mrs. Trish Church, Office Assistant
would like to thank all the volunteers who
made this minute book possible.

God bless you all!

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REV. TIM CEARLY	INTL. MISSION BOARD
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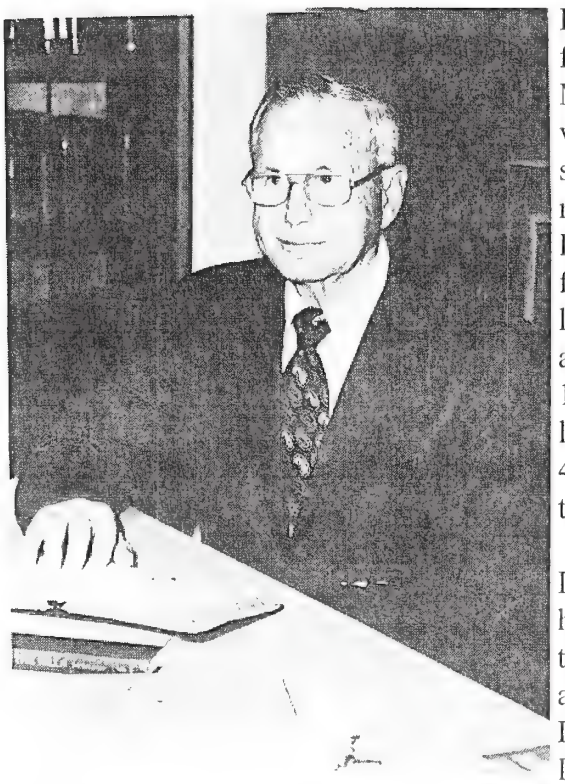
Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

The 2000/2001 Minute Book for the Ashe Baptist Association is dedicated

In Honor of
Dr. M.D. Hart



Dr. M.D. Hart was born on May 29, 1907, and professed his faith in Christ at the age of fourteen. M.D. attended Graham High School in Lansing, which later merged with Lansing High School. He served as Pastor of Southern Baptist Churches for more than 55 years, which are to numerous to list. Dr. Hart served on the North Carolina Legislature for two years, 1945-1947 at an age of 38. He is listed in the Who's Who in religion in America. He also received the Personalities of the South award in 1978 and in 1979. His legislative record and hilights of his achievements in pastoral ministry over 44 years are listed in North Carolina archives of History, in Raleigh.

Dr. M. D. Hart has earned numerous degrees in higher learning from various educational institutions. He holds an Awarded Bachelor of Theology and a Masters degree in theology from the American Divinity School & Bible College located in Chicago, Illinois. He earned two Doctor of Divinity degrees from Universal Bible Institute; He also has earned the Bachelor of Sacred Theology and a Masters of Divinity Degree from Luther Rice Seminary located in Jacksonville Florida. Moreover, in 1977, he received a PH.D in Pastoral Counseling from the International Bible Institute & Seminary, Orlando Florida.

Dr. Hart has published books and articles such as, the Ashe County Baptist Associational History; a book titled Mining Jewels From God's Back Pasture. Mining Jewels From God's Back Pasture was copied on cassette tape, and translated in Braille, for the Institution For The Blind and Handicapped in Raleigh, North Carolina. He has written six songs that were published by Stamps Baxter Music Company.

The citizens of Ashe County honored M.D. on May 20, 2001 for his dedicated service to the Kingdom of God. The calling God placed on his life over a half century ago has led him to churches in five states. All of the degrees were earned by correspondence and hard work over a fifty-year period. He retired while pastoring Fuller Memorial Baptist Church in Martinsville, Virginia, and they elected him their Pastor Emeritus for life. Through all the years of his ministry, he never stopped studying to show himself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth (II Timothy 2:15).

Respectfully submitted by,
Rev. Jerry Francis, Senior Pastor
Friendly Grove Baptist Church

The 2000/2001 Minute Book for the Ashe Baptist Association is dedicated

In Memory of
Miss. Jessie Ann Baldwin

Jessie Ann Baldwin was born August 5, 1936, in West Jefferson, N.C., to Alonzo and Carrie Baldwin. Jessie was one of twelve children born to Alonzo and Carrie.

She professed her faith in Christ at the young age of fourteen. She was baptized by Rev. M.D. Hart at Friendly Grove Baptist Church, where she joined and remained a faithful member until her death, on April 16, 2001.

Jessie graduated from Beaver Creek High School in 1955. After graduation she worked in a couple different local stores. She later took training and became the manager of the local Cato's Department Store. She later managed J.E.'s Ladies Fashions and The Linen Shop. She was the manager of Wallpaper Plus in West Jefferson, at the time of her death. She encountered many people in her work, which she found to be a great asset, since she loved people and making new friends each day.

Material possessions were not a priority to Jessie, she enjoyed the simple things in life. Her family and church were very important to her. She was always willing to do whatever needed to be done. She loved children and often volunteered to stay in the church nursery. She willingly opened her home to Friendly Grove's children to provide a place for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt, not once complaining of trampled flowers and shrubs.

She enjoyed serving on the Building and Grounds Committee at her church. She was dedicated to her family and church and will be missed dearly by all who knew her.

The 2000/2001 Minute Book for the Ashe Baptist Association is dedicated

In Memory of
Rev. Marvin C. "Billy" Smith

Preacher Billy was born on November 26th, 1917, in Columbia, S.C. He married Viola Groves on June 15, 1940. They had five children (their son, Larry, is deceased). They have fifteen grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. He worked on a public job in Charlotte, N.C., until 1957, while serving as a bi-vocational pastor.

In 1957, they moved to Fleetwood, where they lived until his death. Everyone loved Preacher Billy and Viola from the first moment they met them. He was a true pastor with a true pastor's heart. He loved everyone and was always very concerned for their souls

Preacher Billy pastured at Pleasant Home Baptist Church in Grassy Creek, N.C., from 1988 - 1996. In 1996, after fifty years of pastoring, Preacher Billy had to step down as Pastor, not because he wanted to, but because illness made him unable to continue. During the following five years of Preacher Billy's life he never stopped caring for his church family, and often called to just check on them.

In July, 2001, Preacher Billy was called home. Our churches, communities, and association, we miss him and all of his work. We will always miss his "stay with me, if it kills you" saying and his gift of quoting scripture.

In 1997, the Associational Minute Book was dedicated in Honor of Rev. Billy and he had spoken of the Grace of God in his life, and also said he was waiting on Jesus. It is now comforting to know that Preacher Billy's waiting is over and is now in the presence of our Lord.

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

IN MEMORIAL

MEMBERS WHO DIED DURING THE YEAR 2000/2001

Apple Grove Baptist	Mrs. Minnie Miller
Bald Mountain Baptist	Mr. Bob Shumate
Bristol Baptist	Mr. Stanley Brooks
	Ms. Irene Mullis
	Ms. Virginia Hoosier
Buffalo Baptist	Edward Duncan (deacon)
	Mr. Warner Roten
	Mrs. Elizabeth Ray Graybeal
Calvary Baptist	Mr. Bill Brown
Clifton Baptist	Dana Lou Pennington
Fletcher Memorial Baptist	Mrs. Wilma Mullis
	Mr. James Hash
	Mrs. Zenna Little
	Mrs. Alta Sheperd
Friendly Grove Baptist	Powell Miller
	Ms. Jessie Baldwin
	Anna Mae Taylor (charter member)
Friendship Baptist	Miss. Nettie Witherspoon
Grassy Creek Baptist	Mrs. Mae Adams
	Mr. Rex Anders
Healing Springs Baptist	Mrs. Sara Little
Landmark Baptist	Lily Brooks
Laurel Knob Baptist	Ben Cross
Liberty Grove Baptist	Mr. Milton King
	Mrs. Virgina Tomlinson
Midway Baptist	Mr. Ned Childers
	Mr. Tom Miller,
	Mr. Chris Breland
Mission Home Baptist	Mrs. Clemmie Wilcox
	Mr. Lake Blevins,
	Mr. Joseph Lawrence
	Ms. Leslie Lefevers
Mount Olive Baptist	Mrs. Virginia Church
	Mr. James Church
New River Missionary Baptist	William F. Eggers (Deacon)
	Mr. Joseph W. Caldwell

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

IN MEMORIAL

MEMBERS WHO DIED DURING THE YEAR 2000/2001

North Beaver Baptist	Josephine Hurley
Oak Hill Missionary Baptist	Mr. Dean Barker
	Mrs. Bertha Blevins,
	Mrs. Ethel Pruitt
Obids Baptist	Ruth Parsons
	Rev. Earl Sheets, Sr
Orion Baptist	Donald Bare
	Bonnie Lambert
Peak Valley Baptist	Mrs. Mable Sluder
	Tway Cornett
Pine Swap Baptist	Mr. William Hartzog
	Mrs. Annie Blackburn
Pleasant Home Baptist	Mrs. Doris Thompson,
	Mr. Darrell Young (charter member)
Pleasant Valley Baptist	Ward Ballou (deacon)
Phoenix Baptist	Bernard Childress,
	Truett Cocherham,
	Beatrice Sharpe
Round Knob Baptist	Mr. Walter Smith (deacon)
Tuckerdale Baptist	Mrs. Chessie Brooks Powers,
	Mrs. Francis Miller Jones,
	Mrs. Ola Powers Blevins
Warrensville Baptist	Mr. Eldon Ashley
	Mrs. Lela Brooks
Welcome Home	Mr. Bill Senter (deacon)
	Mrs. Mamie Marsh

Warrensville Baptist Church
Brief History

James Eller seems to be the instigating force that started the church along with Rev. R. L. Shoaf, Jessy and Young York, Gus Wilcox, and Peter Ernest. James Eller moved to Ashe County from Wilkes County when a band of bushwackers stole his possessions and threatened his family near the close of the Civil War when supplies became scarce.

The Ellers, Germans, were among the first settlers near Bina, first called Berlin after the capital of Germany. The church first met across the road from what is now Phoenix Baptist Church and was shared by Methodists and Baptists until small differences and growing numbers prompted the Baptists to build their own church. James Eller drew the plans and served as deacon. Mr. Peter Mason Warren gave the land, Mr. Lindsay Shoaf gave the timber and Jessy York did all the carpentry work. The church met in a small schoolhouse, located near the Roten road in Warrensville until the church was constructed. The church was built near the present Northwest School field house in a lovely grove of trees. The church, named Forest Home Baptist Church, was dedicated Dec. 18, 1871. Rev. J. J. L. Sherwood was believed to be the first pastor.

Forest Home was a member of the New River Association organized in 1870 and consisted of 13 churches with 611 members. They supported the Bristol Female College and established the Oak Hill Academy. They also collected a sizable offering for foreign missions. In 1886 the Baptist State Convention encouraged Forest Home to join the Ashe Alleghany Association . There were 9 churches, 478 members, and 4 ordained ministers.

In 1897 the annual meeting was held at Forest Home Baptist Church. The question came up to divide the association into Ashe Association and Alleghany Association.

In 1908, concerned with problems of getting to church when the river was flooded led members from the Bina area to start a church of their own, presently Phoenix Baptist Church.

Forest Home was moved to its present site in 1929 and re-named Warrensville Baptist Church.

In the early 1950's the church was rebuilt and dedicated in 1953. The church met at the Warrensville schoolhouse while the church was rebuilt. The church was remodeled in 1993.

Since 1953 the church has steadily grown, acquiring new property, building a parsonage, a fellowship hall consisting of kitchen, nursery, pastor's study and Sunday School rooms. Other improvements include adding a steeple, remodeling the church basement, building a picnic shelter, paving the parking lot, and expanding the fellowship hall.

The church has gone from a part-time church of one week-end a month in 1871 to a full-time church in 1960. The church now has two Sunday morning services. Our present pastor is Rev. Wayne Osborne who has served since May 1996.

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Warrensville Baptist Church

Sanctuary

Fellowship Hall, Sunday School Rooms, & Offices

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

GRASSY CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH A BRIEF HISTORY

(Written by Mrs. Zetta Hamby in 1991 and updated in 2001)

In the early period of this century, many of the churches in Ashe and Grayson counties had a pastor who served the church only one weekend each month. People would attend other churches when there was no service in their local building. Baptist and Methodist often met together for preaching and Sunday School. School buildings were, at times, used for church services and were day school for both denominations. A number of Grassy Creek residents of the Baptist faith attended preaching services and were members of New River and Pleasant Home churches. Because of distance and traveling conditions, Grassy Creek Baptists began thinking of a Baptist Church locally. A committee was selected to explore the possibility.

Looking around for leaders for this effort, the committee turned to Rev. Oscar Spencer, who lived in the Grassy Creek community, and to Rev. Jesse Shumate, who frequently preached in the area. These dedicated Christian Men accepted the challenge and soon they had very persuasively convinced the people that this was a need that should no longer be delayed. Soon vision became reality when, in 1927, land was obtained on Route 725 between Virginia-Carolina High School and the Methodist Church, and construction began on a building, to be known as Grassy Creek Baptist Church. Mr. Mark Blevins, a competent carpenter, was selected to build the church. At first, this was a one room white frame structure and contained a home made lectern and 20 pews, which Mr. Blevins also made. This original structure was used until renovation was completed in 1967.

Records reveal the names of 16 charter members. Early pastors were Rev. Oscar Spencer, and Rev. Jesse Shumate. Many other residents, most of whom have passed away or moved, later became members and staunch supporters of the church.

Two years after completion of the building, Grassy Creek Baptist Church hosted annual session of the Ashe Baptist Association for three days: August 30, 31, and September 1, 1929 and served lunch on the grounds. Rev. Coy Blackburn served as moderator and Mr. Bryon Oliver served as clerk of this Associational session. Due to insufficient lighting, these sessions were held during the day with no night sessions. Official representatives or delegates of the Associational churches and ministers who traveled long distances were guests over night in the homes of members of the host church. This was an accepted custom in that period and members volunteered to provide lodging for as many people as they could care for. Another session of the Associational meetings were held in the late 40's.

Later, as attendance and membership grew, the need for Sunday School space was recognized and a basement was added to provide for four additional class rooms and two bathrooms. A furnace was also installed for central heat. At this time the church had six Sunday School rooms and an enrollment of 78. In the past 2-3 years, more renovations have taken place. The main auditorium was re-done with partial paneling, exposed beams, new lighting and fans. Next, the old fellowship hall was torn down, and a new and larger one was built, which is connected to the main building. This addition also contains two new Sunday School rooms, two restrooms, all which are handicap accessible. Air conditioning was also installed throughout. There are now 141 church member, 82 resident and 59 non-resident.

GRASSY CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH A BRIEF HISTORY

(Continued)

A number of fine ministers have served the church as pastors through the years, including Rev's. Oscar Spencer, Jesse Shumate, Gwyn Blackburn, Henry Colvard, Paul Phipps, Reeves Jones, M.D. Hart, Squire Graybeal, Camet Halsey, Phillip Duval, Kermit Goodman, Darrell Lambert, Ray Ham, Bill Burchett, who served as interim pastor, and the present pastor, Rev. John Huffman, who has served for about 4 years.

Sanctuary

Fellowship Hall & Sunday School Rooms

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

ANNUAL REPRESENTATIVES OF INSTITUTIONS AND PROGRAMS APPOINTED BY MODERATOR

American Bible Society	Don Goodman
Baptist Children's Homes	JoAnne Goodman
Baptist Foundation	Rev. Darien South
Baptist Hospital	Timothy Miller
Baptist Retirement Homes	Robert D. Neaves
Biblical Recorder	Rev. Lawrence Goodman
Christian Education	Susan Miller
Foreign Missions	Dr. Jim Rash
Home Missions	A. Wayne Jones
Pastor's Salary and Retirement	Rev. Tom Graybeal
Southern Baptist Annuity	Rev. Jerry Francis
State Missions	Rev. Wayne Jones
Temperance and Public Morals	Delmas Parker

COMMITTEES APPOINTED ANNUALLY BY MODERATOR

RESOULUTIONS COMMITTEE

Rev. Jerry Francis - Chairman
Jerry South
Fred Walters

PREACHER/PLACE COMMITTEE

Howard Turnmire - Chairman
Harold Riddle
Brandon Dillard

RULES OF ORDER:

1. **Every session shall be opened and closed by prayer**

2. **When the Moderator calls the house to order, every member shall at once, take his seat.**

3. **When a member wishes to speak, he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.**

4. **No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.**

5. **It shall be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.**

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ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION - 7/1/00 to 6/30/01 INCOME

	Received	Paid Out	Balance	Placed in General Fund to use for Expenses	Due
Contributions for:					
George Rodriguez	160.00	160.00	0.00		0.00
Office Fund	2,492.31	1,584.65	907.66		907.66
Office Work	312.50	29.28	283.22	283.22	0.00
Brush Arbor	200.00	600.00	(400.00)	(400.00)	0.00
Hispanic Ministry					
Churches	5,009.40	13,000.00	(7,990.60)	(7,990.60)	0.00
Offering	3,411.29	2,760.23	651.06	651.06	0.00
Home Missions					
Churches	67,528.42		67,528.42	67,528.42	0.00
Interest Income					
Checking	106.17		106.17	106.17	0.00
Savings	665.54		665.54	665.54	0.00
Minute Books					
Churches	2,920.00	2,920.00	0.00		0.00
Ashe Really Cares					
Churches	2,146.30	2,797.24	(650.91)	(650.91)	0.00
McKameys Concert	4,820.00	4,820.00	0.00		0.00
Baptist State Convention	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00		0.00
Transferred from ARC	6,254.40	6,254.40	0.00		0.00
Donations					
Anonymous	7,310.00	3,121.69	4,188.31		4,188.31
Baptist State Convention	7,814.20	7,053.28	760.92	760.92	0.00
Baptist Men	484.00	630.00	(146.00)	(146.00)	0.00
Sales Tax Refund	442.60		442.60	442.60	0.00
Cash Over	1.23		1.23	1.23	0.00
	115,078.39	48,730.77	66,347.62	61,251.65	5,095.97

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2001-2002

		2000-2001 Approved Budget	2000-2001 Actual Expenses	2001-2002 Proposed Budget
I.	EDUCATION AND PROMOTION			
	1. Sunday School	$ 1,000.00	$ 292.96	$ 800.00
	2. Discipleship Training	600.00	0.00	600.00
	3. Brotherhood	200.00	82.80	200.00
	4. WMU	100.00	100.00	300.00
	5. Church Music	1,000.00	0.00	1000.00
	6. Vacation Bible School	700.00	700.00	900.00
	7. Evangelism	1,200.00	947.82	1200.00
	8. Key Leadership	175.00	0.00	300.00
	9. Association Youth	1,200.00	1,200.00	1200.00
	SUBTOTAL	6,175.00	3,323.58	6500.00
II.	ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE			
	1. Office Equipment	1,000.00	1,000.00	1000.00
	2. Printing and Supplies	2,600.00	2,600.00	3000.00
	3. Postage/Mailing	2,300.00	2,300.00	2500.00
	4. Associational Calendars	400.00	400.00	400.00
	SUBTOTAL	6,300.00	6,300.00	6900.00
III.	SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES			
	1. Director of Missions Salary	37,000.00	37,000.00	38110.00
	2. Secretarial Help	10,920.00	8,828.88	13500.00
	3. Clerk	360.00	360.00	370.00
	(a) Reimbursement for travel	100.00	100.00	100.00
	4. Treasurer	1,975.00	1,975.00	3115.00
	(a) Reimbursement for travel	200.00	200.00	200.00
	5. Employee Taxes	1,015.00	910.45	1300.00
	6. Reimbursement for Training			100.00
	SUBTOTAL	51,570.00	49,374.33	56795.00
IV.	PARSONAGE			
	1. Insurance Premium	500.00	507.00	550.00
	2. Building Repair and Property Maintenance	2,500.00	2,500.00	2500.00
	SUBTOTAL	3,000.00	3,007.00	3050.00
V.	MISCELLANEOUS	500.00	500.00	500.00
VI.	HISPANIC MINISTRY	13,000.00	13,000.00	13000.00
VII.	ASHE REALLY CARES	4,500.00	650.91	9000.00
VIII.	CHALLENGE 2000	2,500.00	4.24	2500.00
IX.	OTHER (Voted by Executive Committee)			
	1. Utilities for Parsonage	828.88	828.88	2000.00
	TOTAL	$ 87,545.00	$ 76,988.94	$ 100,245.00

Actual expenses overall were $114,572.24. These additional expenses were offset by contributions, reimbursements and balances in special funds from last year.

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
TREASURER'S REPORT

INCOME:		
On hand last report (July 31, 2000)	$41,277.44	
Received (see attached sheet)	115,078.39	
BALANCE ON HAND AND RECEIVED		156,355.83
DISBURSEMENTS:		
ACTeam (offset by BSC)	292.96	
ARC (offset by BSC, Churches, McKamey's Concert)	20,528.13	
Baptist Men (offset by individuals)	630.00	
Brotherhood Training	82.80	
Calendars	400.00	
Cash Short	7.01	
Challenge 2000	4.24	
Clerk/Treasurer	2,335.00	
Travel	300.00	
Director of Missions-Wages	37,000.00	
Evangelism	947.82	
Highlands Community (reimbursed by State Convention	6,933.28	
Hispanic Minister-Reimbursed Expenses	12,995.26	
Hispanic Ministry-Expenses (offset by offerings)	2,764.97	
Insurance	507.00	
Miscellaneous (special fund offset)	1,432.74	
Office Equipment (offset by special and office funds)	4,484.26	
Postage/Mailing (offset by special fund)	2,373.00	
Printing & Supplies (offset by special fund)	2,909.48	
Repairs & Maintenance (offset by special fund)	5,134.80	
Secretarial Help	8,828.88	
Summer Camp	31.78	
Taxes	910.45	
Utilities (Internet/phone line, 1/2 electric, 1/2 telephone	828.88	
VBS Expenses (offset by special fund)	889.57	
WMU (offset by WMU account)	112.89	
Youth Council	1,200.00	
TOTAL AMOUNT PAID OUT		114,572.24
BALANCE ON HAND (June 30, 2001)		$41,783.59

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Key Leader Nominations
2001-2002

These names are respectfully submitted by the Nominating Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association in accordance with Article V: Section 7 of the Constitution and By-Laws.

ASSOCIATIONAL CLERK	MRS. SHERRY SEVERT
YOUTH DIRECTOR	STEVE VIERS
BROTHERHOOD DIRECTOR	BRO. FRED WALTERS
DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING DIRECTOR	MRS. LINDA BLACKBURN
EVANGELISM CHAIRPERSON	REV. KEN FURCHES
MODERATOR	REV. KERSHAW GETTY
MUSIC DIRECTOR	REV. WAYNE OSBORNE
SEMINARY EXTENSION DIRECTOR	REV. RON MCMILLAN
WMU DIRECTOR	MRS. FRANCES BLEVINS
SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR	REV. JIM KETNER
DEACON MINISTRY DIRECTOR	REV. ALLEN HUFFMAN

These names were voted on and approved by the Executive Committee during 2001, and will attend the Key Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest.

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

ORGANIZATIONAL OFFICERS

MODERATOR	REV. KERSHAW GETTY
VICE-MODERATOR	JERRY POWERS
TREASURER	LINDA BLEVINS
CLERK	SHERRY G. SEVERT

ASSOCIATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON NEW CHURCHES

1 YR.	PASTOR #1	REV. ALLEN COMBS
1 YR.	PASTOR #2	DR. JIM RASH
3 YRS.	PASTOR #3	REV. JOHNNY HUFFMAN
1 YR.	LAY-PERSON #1	COLONEL BLEVINS
3 YRS.	LAY-PERSON #2	WILLIE LOU DENNY
3 YRS.	LAY-PERSON #3	SALLY WALTERS

PROGRAM COMMITTEE:

1 YR.	MEMBER #1	REV. KERSHAW GETTY
1 YR.	MEMBER #2	BARBARA MCOY
3 YRS	MEMBER #3	SHERRY SEVERT
3 YRS	MEMBER #4	DAVID GRINNEL
3 YRS	MEMBER #5	DWAYNE POLLARD

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

2 YRS	MEMBER #1	REV. JIM KETNER
2 YRS	MEMBER #2	TERRY HARTZOG
3 YRS.	MEMBER #3	THELMA HOWELL
3 YRS.	MEMBER #4	FRED WALTERS
3 YRS.	MEMBER #5	PAULA PERRY

ASSOCIATIONAL CAMP BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

1 YR.	MEMBER #1	DAVID STIDHAMS
1 YR.	MEMBER #2	CAROLYN MILLER
2 YRS.	MEMBER #3	CHARLENE GOODMAN
2 YRS.	MEMBER #4	HAROLD JORDAN - "CHAIRMAN"
3 YRS.	MEMBER #5	LARRY RICHARDSON
3 YRS.	MEMBER #6	LINDA BALL
1 YR.	PASTOR #1	REV. GARY WATSON
2 YRS.	PASTOR #2	REV. RICK CORNEJO
3 YRS.	PASTOR #3	REV. JERRY FRANCIS

MISSIONS COMMITTEE:

SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR	REV. JIM KETNER
DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING DIRECTOR	LINDA BLACKBURN
BROTHERHOOD DIRECTOR	FRED WALTERS

(Missions-continued)		
	WMU DIRECTOR	MRS. FRANCES BLEVINS
	MUSIC DIRECTOR	REV. WAYNE OSBORNE
1 YR.	PASTOR #1	REV. JACK MILLER
1 YR.	PASTOR #2	REV. RICK MILLER
	MODERATOR	REV. KERSHAW GETTY
	ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY	REV. DAVID BLACKBURN

ORDINATION COMMITTEE:

1 YR.	MINISTER #1	REV. TOMMY GRAYBEAL
2 YRS.	MINISTER #2	REV. DEAN WATSON
3 YRS.	MINISTER #3	REV. JEFF VOGLER
3 YRS.	MINISTER #4	REV. EARL ROTEN
3 YRS.	MINISTER #5	REV. LAWRENCE GOODMAN

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE:

2 YRS.	MEMBER #1	REV. LONNIE JONES
2 YRS.	MEMBER #2	JOHN BURKE
2 YRS	MEMBER #3	PEGGY POWERS
3 YRS.	MEMBER #4	REV. KEN FURCHES
3 YRS.	MEMBER #5	WILLA DEAN CHURCH

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE:

1 YR.	MEMBER #1	JOE OLIVER
2 YRS.	MEMBER #2	REV. JIM THOMPSON
3 YRS.	MEMBER #3	CHARLES KING
3 YRS.	MEMBER #4	REV. BILLY JOE BLEVINS
3 YRS	MEMBER #5	JOE COCKERHAM

PROPERTIES COMMITTEE:

1 YR.	MEMBER #1	LAMON PERRY
1 YR.	MEMBER #2	DARRELL BLEVINS
3 YRS.	MEMBER #3	C.C. POE

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

1 YR.	MEMBER #1	GERRY HAZELWOOD	
1 YR.	MEMBER #2	MRS. SHELBY ROTEN	
3 YRS.	MEMBER #3	KATHLEEN TURNMIRE	
3 YRS.	MEMBER #4	BOB NEAVES	"CHAIRMAN"
3 YRS.	MEMBER #5	BRENDA WALTERS	
	TREASURER	MRS. LINDA BLEVINS	

ASSOCIATIONAL YOUTH COMMITTEE:

1 YR.	MEMBER #1	HEATHER VANNOY
2 YRS.	MEMBER #2	VICKIE MOORE
2 YRS.	MEMBER #3	KEN GREGORY
2 YRS.	MEMBER #4	DONNA POLLARD

3 YRS.	MEMBER #5	STEVE VIERS	(Youth continued)
3 YRS.	MEMBER #6	GERRI VOGLER	
1 YR.	PASTOR #1	REV. MARK DAVIS	
2 YRS.	PASTOR #2	REV. KERSHAW GETTY	
2 YRS.	PASTOR #3	REV. LARRY POWERS	

SEMINARY EXTENSION COMMITTEE:

1 YR.	MEMBER #1	REV. RONNIE MCMILLAN
2 YRS.	MEMBER #2	REV. ROGER NEWTON
3 YRS.	MEMBER #3	REV. JACK PUGH
3 YRS.	MEMBER #4	TIM CHURCH
3 YRS.	MEMBER #5	REV. JERRY FRANCIS

ASSOCIATIONAL TRUSTEES;

MEMBER #1	JIM VANNOY *CHAIRMAN
MEMBER #2	EDD HARLESS
MEMBER #3	LLOYD WITHERSPOON
MEMBER #4	RALPH DAVIS
MEMBER #5	BURL CARLTON

ASSOCIATIONAL HISTORIAN: REV. BILL BALLOU

ASSOCIATIONAL MUSIC COMMITTEE:

1 YR.	MEMBER #1	REV. WAYNE OSBORNE	*DIRECTOR
1 YR.	MEMBER #2	EDD HARLESS	
2 YRS.	MEMBER #3	REV. DEWAYNE ZIMMER	
3 YRS.	MEMBER #4	REV. CHUCK CALL	
3 YRS.	MEMBER #5	SCOTT PRIVETE	

ASSOCIATIONAL ARC COMMITTEE:

DIRECTOR	MRS. PAT MILLER
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MEMBER #2	REV. LARRY POWERS
MEMBER #3	MARY ALICE WITHERSPOON
MEMBER #4	SHERRY THOMPSON
MEMBER #5	REV. JIM KETNER

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MEMBER #2	MRS. TONI SARALEGUI
MEMBER #3	REV. LAWRENCE GOODMAN
MEMBER #4	REV. KEN FURCHES
MEMBER #5	MRS. DEBBIE FISHEL
MEMBER #6	BOB NEAVES
MEMBER #7	REV. JESUS PADILLA

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

REPORT for 2001 BOOK of REPORTS

OFFICE of ANNUITY

The Annuity Office of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina in partnership with the Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention provides services related to retirement planning, financial support of ministers and other church employees, life and health insurance, ministry to seminary/divinity students, and church/clergy tax issues. These services are provided in a variety of ways to churches and church employees.

As a result of an expanded mission statement and two new ministry assignments given to the Annuity Board in 2000, the year 2001 is proving to be one of transition. Specifically, much of the Board's work during 2001 has focused on preparing to offer personal investing and institutional investments with the accompanying need for all the investment funds to be registered during this year. Despite a disappointing year in the financial markets, ten of the fourteen Annuity Board investment funds out-performed their benchmark for the year. More specifically, all six equity funds and all four blended funds exceeded benchmark returns while all four fixed income select funds under-performed.

Insurance continues to be one of the greatest challenges as the Annuity Board continually seeks to maintain viable products for participants. New insurance products and services have been developed and plans outlined for implementation. Two new Medicare supplement plans were designed and implemented. The Annuity Board paid more than $139 million in insurance benefits last year.

The Endowment Ministry, designed to give support to retired ministers, denominational employees and their widows with special needs, enjoyed a banner year. The relief ministry reached a record monetary level as $5.3 million was distributed to needy retired ministers and widows. Guidelines for the Adopt An Annuitant ministry were revised to allow more applicants to qualify for the gift.

As of May 31, 2001, there were 4,842 active participants in the retirement plan with 62% of our North Carolina churches participating. The number of persons receiving retirement benefits has increased to 2,815 with another 361 being assisted through the Adopt An Annuitant ministry plan.

It is our strong desire to serve all of our churches, ministers, and church employees. For more information related to products or services, call the Baptist State Convention of NC at 1.800.395.5102 extension 174, visit our Web site at www.bscnc.org, or call the Annuity Board at 1.800.262.0511 or visit the Annuity Board Web site at www.absbc.org.

Johnny Ross, Senior Consultant
Annuity

Ashe Pregnancy Care Center

116 Faw Roland Street ~ PO Box 1572 ~ Jefferson, NC 28640
336/246-4100

August 2, 2001

To the Ashe Baptist Association

The Ashe Pregnancy Care Center has moved (prayerfully) to its last home. We are now located at 116 Faw Roland Street, Jefferson. Our phone numbers remain the same. We have been blessed with a lovely residence which we are renovating. We also have the option to purchase. The rent is $350 per month. It is in a quiet neighborhood and our neighbors are quite happy we are there.

We continue to see clients of all ages, all nationalities and all religious affiliations. Our numbers have increased dramatically since this time last year. We are seeing approximately 50 women per week. That is around 200 clients per month. Last year we were seeing 70 women per month. We have now been responsible for presenting truth and The Truth to over 2000 clients in the past 2 1/2 years. We have been able to determine 50 babies have been born as a result of this ministry. These are babies that would have been aborted. We have also been blessed to lead over 50 clients to the Lord. We have assisted or are assisting ten couples through the adoption process.

We are so blessed with what the Lord is doing and we want to thank each and every church and individual who supports us faithfully. For each baby born, each salvation, each client who makes the decision to abstain until marriage, each teen who wants to wait for that special person God has for them, and each family who now holds a child through adoption, we thank you.

Abiding in Him,

Peggy Hoefl
Director

Vera Zapcic
Administrative Assistant

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Ashe Really Cares
Report to the Association
2000/2001

I appreciate and thank God for the opportunity to report to you about Ashe Really Cares. God has allowed Ashe Really Cares to touch a lot of people through His work here at the ARC. From June 2000 to June 2001 we have fixed 2019 food boxes which has helped many individuals. Within that time we have received 37,930 pounds of food from Second Harvest Food Bank in Winston-Salem. We have made a lot of friends during the past year and care deeply about those who walk through our doors.

Sincere thanks go out to each church and individual that support and pray for Ashe Really Cares. Through your contributions of money, food, clothing, and volunteering the ARC is able to help those who need a little extra. Without your support we would not be able to make a difference.

One of the most important things we do here at the ARC is to try to reach the spiritual needs. We do that through witnessing and praying with those who come in. We feel that we have made a difference by encouraging them to accept Christ and live for Him. As we try to do this important part please pray that God will give us boldness as well as tell others about Christ o more souls can be added to His kingdom.

We appreciate the opportunities that God has given us to be able to go out to different churches and speak about what God is doing and how their church can become involved. There is a real need in Ashe County for a mission like the ARC, we see people that are hurting and have different needs all the time. Through each of us doing what we can, we can truly make a difference in someone else's life. We would like to encourage everyone to come by and take a few minutes to look around and volunteer your time for the Lord.

Respectfully Submitted

Pat Miller
Director, Ashe Really Cares

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

ASHE REALLY CARES
FINANCIAL REPORT
JULY 1, 2000 TO JUNE 30, 2001

DONATIONS:		EXPENSES:	
Ashe Baptist Assoc.- transfer	1000.00	Rent	3900.00
Baptist State Convention	3000.00	Taxes - Unassigned	6254.40
Buffalo Baptist	349.50	Electric Bill - ARC	1042.26
Calvary Baptist WMU	340.00	Insurance: Automobile	925.00
Clifton Baptist	250.00	Oil Bill - Unassigned	696.59
Chestnut Hill Baptist	100.00	Automobile Repairs	690.15
Friendly Grove Baptist	1200.00	FEMA - Electric	510.18
Friendship Baptist	1200.80	Food: Groceries	501.41
Glendale Springs Baptist	350.00	Phone	499.84
Liberty Grove	500.00	Reimbursement : Gifts	322.00
Midway Baptist	1206.00	Benevolent Fund : Christmas Gifts	300.00
Mission Home Baptist	600.00	Benevolent Fund: Fuel Oil	300.00
Mount Olive Baptist	300.00	Vehicle	298.41
Mt. Jefferson	50.00	Water - Unassigned	264.00
New River Baptist	1557.13	Electric Bill - Unassigned	257.94
North Beaver Baptist	550.00	FEMA: Rent	250.00
Obids Baptist	900.00	Benevolent Fund: Electric	230.16
Old Fields Baptist	1000.00	Automobile: Gasoline	155.28
Smethport Baptist	700.00	Sign	154.50
Tuckerdale Baptist	212.28	Reimbursement - Unassigned	129.39
Warrensville Baptist	100.00	FEMA: Food	103.04
		Donation	100.00
Individual Donations:	3620.98	FEMA: Kerosene	100.00
		Food - Unassigned	37.08
		FEMA: Water	36.45
TOTAL ARC DONATIONS:	**$13,940.36**	Reimbursement: Supplies	35.00
		Postage	34.00
With additional anonymous donations:		Supplies	27.02
		Reimbursement: Furniture	25.00
		Bank Charges: Excess Withdrawal	5.50
ASHE REALLY CARES BALANCE ON HAND 6/30/01:			
	$6,892.96	**TOTAL EXPENSES:**	**$18,184.60**

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Shatley,
Treasurer, Ashe Really Cares

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Ashe Baptist Campground Report

Thanks to the good rain and all the churches that took part in mowing the camp and cleaning the buildings after using them, the Ashe Baptist Campground is in great shape.

We are thankful to Brother Tim Church of the Friendship Baptist Church for monitoring the water system to assure safe water for everyone at the camp, as well as to Ronnie Hopkins of the Bald Mountain Baptist Church for his work of treasurer for the camp. At the time of this writing brother Ronnie's health is improving and we are thankful for that. We thank all the churches that give financially to assure a sound base to pay our bills at the camp.
Ms. Ann Eldreth of the Big Flatts Baptist Church checks the camp after each use and cleans the Mattie Parsons Memorial Building if necessary and reports to the office of any damage or problems that may be found at the camp. We thank her for her special care in that area.
Every camp needs a maintenance man, and we are thankful that we have Brother Harold Jordan of the Mt. Olive Baptist Church, as ours. We are blessed to have a Christian man who can do or supervise any work that needs to be done at the camp. Thanks again to Brother Harold.

Thanks be to God for all his blessings of the camp and folks who keep it running.

The camp had approximately 61 visits since last year by churches, 7 family reunions, and 4 groups from outside the county. The camp is opens from April 1 until October 31. Ashe Baptist Churches can reserve the camp before any one else until April1, then it is open to anyone that would like to use the camp.

Be sure and visit the camp and get your key at the Associational office. Improvements will be made as money and workers are available to help. We want to continually improve the camp to glorify God and to help our churches have a great place for all kinds of events. This camp has been provided for you, so be sure and schedule some time this year or next, for your church or group.

Respectfully Submitted,

Harold Jordan,
Chairman, Campground Committee

Ashe Missionary Baptist Church

FINANCIAL REPORT
ASHE BAPTIST SUMMER CAMP
JULY 1, 2000 - JUNE 30, 2001

RECEIPTS:

Bald Mountain Baptist Church	240.00
Big Flatts Baptist Church	200.00
Big Laurel Baptist Church	60.00
Blue Ridge Baptist Church	200.00
Bristol Baptist Church	50.00
Clifton Baptist Church	100.00
Friendly Grove Baptist Church	300.00
Friendship Baptist Church	500.00
Grassy Creek Baptist Church	180.00
Laurel Knob Baptist Church	50.00
Liberty Grove Baptist Church	300.00
Mission Home Baptist Church	375.00
Mt. Jefferson Baptist Church	300.00
Mount Olive Baptist	75.00
New River Baptist Church	121.95
North Beaver Baptist Church	100.00
Old Fields Baptist Church	100.00
Orion Baptist Church	150.00
Pleasant Home Baptist Church	50.00
Round Knob Baptist Church	50.00
Tuckerdale Baptist Church	300.00
Weaver reunion	50.00
Smith reunion	43.00
Kimberlyn reunion	45.00
Houck reunion	55.00
Ashby-Roten reunion	150.00
Skyline- Capital credit	34.78
Ronnie Roark	20.00
Pinkie Cochran	10.00
Paw Creek Ministries	1,000.00
Goodman reunion	20.00
South Fork Baptist Church	25.00
Richard Gardner	100.00
Blue Ridge EMC	10.00
Jordan-Goodman reunion	13.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS: $5,377.73

DISBURSEMENTS:

Blue Ridge Electric	1402.80
Skyline Telephone	316.20
Ann Eldreth	1860.00
High Country Improvements	100.00
Ashe County Builders Supply	24.17
Rose's Stores	96.95
Water Tech labs, Inc.	15.00
Barr Insurance Agency	1061.45
Lowes	43.84
Harold Jordan	40.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS: **$4,960.41**

BALANCE ON HAND: **$1,950.94**
(as of 7/31/01)

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina

Baptist Children's Homes serves record number of children. In 2000, Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina served a record 2,000 children and more than 1,600 families statewide. BCH operates residential campuses in Thomasville, Pembroke, Kinston and Clyde, a maternity home in Asheville, a teen mother/baby home in Lenoir, value change homes for boys and girls in Franklin and Asheville and for girls in Lenoir, a wilderness camp for boys in Cameron, emergency care cottages at each of the residential campuses and in Waynesville, and a model day care in Thomasville.

Children tell their stories during Baptist State Convention report. Standing ovations, applause and heartfelt hugs greeted the children and staff at their 30-minute presentation during the 2000 Baptist State Convention in Winston-Salem. More than 130 BCH children, child care workers and staff sang, shared their stories and said "thank you" to the approximately 4,500 messengers attending the Tuesday afternoon session. Messengers heard the special testimonies from Citadel graduating senior and former Broyhill Home resident Jason Davis and Hannah Adams' mother Donna. Hannah has participated in both the 2000 and 2001 BCH Respite Camp for Developmentally Disabled Adults.

Jason Davis thanks messengers. Jason was featured in the 1995 Baptist Children's Homes report to the convention. At that time he was 17 and dreamed of a career in the Air Force. During his testimony at the 2000 convention, Jason appeared in the full dress uniform of The Citadel. He reminded messengers that if it had not been for their care and support he could have never realized his dream. He told messengers that he credited them for the opportunities he has known. Jason said he plans to always come back to visit the children and just as others gave to help him, he would give to help the other children who would come to BCH after him. Upon his graduation from The Citadel in May 2001, Jason Davis was commissioned as a Lieutenant in the United States Air Force.

Donna Adams claims Developmental Disabilities Ministry an answer to prayer. The final testimony of the BCH presentation was not given by a child, but by a mother. Donna Adams of Laurinburg strained to maintain her composure as she shared how BCH's new ministry for developmentally disabled adults was the answer to her prayers. Adam's daughter Hannah suffered brain damage as an infant. Today, Hannah is a beautiful young woman. Donna said she is comforted in knowing North Carolina Baptists and the Baptist Children's Homes would be there as her family plan for Hannah's future. She thanked messengers on behalf of other parents and families of developmentally disabled children for their support and commitment to this ministry.

North Carolina Baptists reach $1,000,000 Thanksgiving Offering goal. Because of the support of Baptist churches all across North Carolina, Baptist Children's Homes met the 2000 Thanksgiving Offering goal of $1,000,000! The goal was record for the agency. BCH president Michael C. Blackwell said he was "enormously gratified at this outpouring response." Baptist Children's Homes is grateful to all North Carolina Baptists who committed themselves to help meet this challenging goal.

First Baptist Church of Salisbury sets goal they couldn't reach. Interim pastor Dr. Dale Steel said collecting a church record of $18,300 for the 2000 Thanksgiving Offering was fun.

Dr. Steel recounted the meetings that led to setting the church's goal at 1% of the total BCH goal of $1 million or $10,000. In 1999, the church gave approximately $3,500. The church's leadership decided to set a goal they could not reach on their own. Leading with prayer and a commitment to meet their goal, the church watched as they passed their goal and reached their record amount. One month after receiving the record Thanksgiving Offering, the First Baptist Church of Salisbury collected the third-largest Lottie Moon ingathering in 11 years. Dr. Steel credits the church's vision, enthusiasm and determination to do their part for missions as being the key to their success.

BCH breaks ground on two new DDM homes, and dedicates new children's cottage in Marshville. In June, Baptist Children's Homes broke ground for two new group homes for developmentally disabled adults in Winston-Salem. The homes – Davis House and Hinkle House – are being built adjacent to BCH's Baptist House at Bethabara and will open in early 2002. The R.P and Ella Mae Stegall Home was dedicated August 19, 2001. The new group home is located in Marshville and provides residential care for nine boys.

New Millennium Families* study guide offered to churches.** The study guide to accompany Dr. Michael C. Blackwell's book *New Millennium Families* is being made available to churches for group Bible studies this fall. Dr. Blackwell believes BCH can help strengthen families in North Carolina Baptist churches and is committed to providing the necessary resources. Dr. Blackwell's new book, ***A Place for Miracles, is a history of Baptist Children's Homes, and will be available in late 2001.

BCH anticipates another record Thanksgiving Offering. The 2001 Thanksgiving Offering goal is $1,100,000. This represents a $100,000 increase over last year's record-setting amount. The number may seem enormous, but there is an enormous need. Children and families turn to BCH broken, battered and burdened. But with the help of North Carolina Baptists, BCH shows them God's love. BCH is counting on North Carolina Baptist churches to help meet this important goal during this time of economic uncertainty. Call 1-800-476-3669, ext. 1209 to order promotional material, the new Thanksgiving Offering video, last year's BCH Convention Presentation video or to request a speaker to tell the BCH story in person.

The support of North Carolina Baptists through the Thanksgiving Offering, Cooperative Program, church-designated and individual gifts, memorials, honors, and estate gifts enables us to fulfill our mission statement: "helping hurting children...healing broken families.

BCH is grateful for North Carolina Baptists' prayers and support.

Respectfully submitted by,
Michael C. Blackwell, President
Sandy Saunders, Chairman
Board of Trustees

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THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST FOUNDATION, INC.
2000 ANNUAL REPORT

The mission of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation since its inception in 1920 has been to assist the Convention and its institutions and agencies in increasing an awareness among North Carolina Baptists of Christian estate stewardship principles as a means of financially undergirding churches, institutions and mission endeavors on a permanent basis. The uniqueness of the ministries and services provided by the institutions and General Board staff merits increased financial support. The Foundation accomplishes these objectives by offering assistance in estate planning counsel, Will preparation, planned giving, charitable remainder trusts, endowment funds and church fund management.

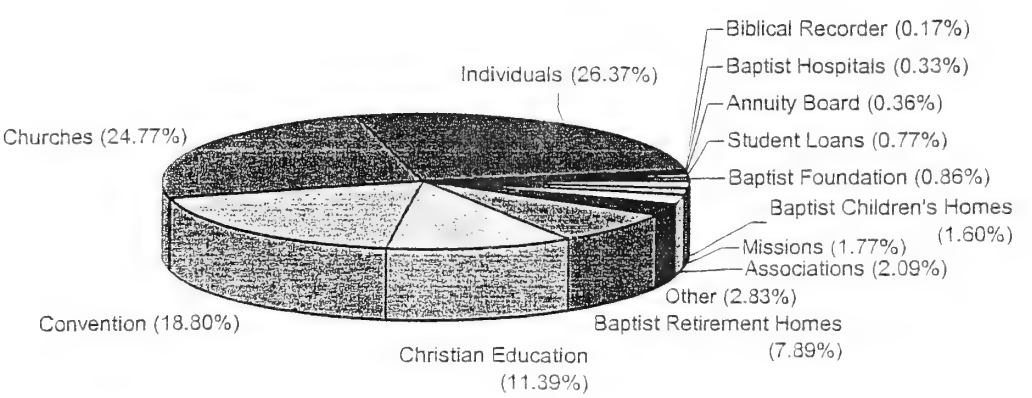
During 2000, the Foundation provided assistance to individuals in establishing 30 endowment funds and 18 charitable remainder trusts totaling $1.9 million and received $3.6 million in contributions to existing endowments all of which will ultimately benefit countless Baptist causes on a permanent basis. Programs were provided for 164 churches and associations during the year to promote Make Your Will Month, Christian estate stewardship, and church fund management. Over $4.6 million from churches and institutions came under management to enhance numerous ministries including scholarships, building funds, cemetery funds, benevolence funds, general operating funds and other various mission causes. With a total of $10.1 million in contributions, it was the best year ever eclipsing the previous high of $9.3 million recorded in 1999.

The Foundation employs professional money managers to invest these funds according to an investment policy adopted by its Board. Four investment pools are offered: a growth fund, a balanced fund, an income fund and a fixed income fund. The Foundation uses the services of Salomon Smith Barney to help select top money managers and evaluate performance. As of December 31, 2000, the Foundation held $97.4 million under management. This is an increase of more than $4.1 million over 1999.

The Foundation also experienced a record year in distributions in 2000. The previous high in distributions was 1999, with $5.3 million distributed to charity and individuals. In the year 2000, our distribution totaled 9.1 million dollars, with charity receiving $6.7 million and individuals, through trusts, receiving $2.4 million. During the 81-year history of The North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc., $18.5 million has been distributed to individuals and $32.4 million to Baptist churches, institutions and mission causes for a grand historical total of $47.1 million.

Nancy Hunter, Chair, Board of Directors
M. Clay Warf, Executive Director

2000 DISTRIBUTIONS



Meeting the Challenges of Health Care

2001 Report to the Associations

"Touching Lives With Hope"

HOSPITAL FOCUSED ON PARTNERSHIPS IN HEALING

"We desire to build a hospital to bring the healing art more definitely under the dominion of the Great Healer." Baptist Hospital's founding commission penned these words in 1921, and this partnership in healing has been our defining purpose. Our Christian heritage remains the foundation of Baptist Hospital and undergirds our daily commitment to provide compassionate, state-of-the-art medical care to those we serve. The Christian faith is truly the "soul of our institution."

SCHOOL OF PASTORAL CARE

The mission of the School of Pastoral Care at Baptist Hospital is: To *provide ministries of growth, hope, and healing in the Spirit of Christ.* We are thankful that North Carolina Baptists are a significant partner in this mission, helping us bring hope to thousands of people each year.

The Department of Chaplaincy and Pastoral Education provided ministry during the past year through more than 61,000 pastoral visits, and worship services every Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. The department's Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) program received a 10-year accreditation from the Association of Clinical Pastoral Education site review team. Fifty-eight students received training in one of the largest and finest CPE programs in America.

The Department of Pastoral Counseling, CareNet, Inc. continues to develop its ministries. Rev. Steve Scoggin became the director of the system's newest center, the East Carolina Counseling Centers, Inc., in Greenville, N.C. CareNet's counseling centers provided more than 25,500 hours of compassionate pastoral counseling in 17 locations across the state during the year. It is the largest pastoral counseling system in the nation. Thanks to N.C. Baptists, free or reduced rate counseling is made available to lower income people.

The Center for Congregational Health, Inc. continues to assist churches in becoming healthier communities of faith. The Center provides consultation to 25 congregations a month. Over 600 church leaders received training in educational events conducted by the Center during the past year. These include the Young Leaders Program for ministers under age 40, and Intentional Interim Ministry training. Thanks to N.C. Baptists, the Center receives essential support for its ministries. This support pays for initial consultation for all Baptist churches, and provides subsidies for churches and ministers who need special financial assistance.

The Department of Church and Community Relations continues to serve as a liaison between the Hospital and churches of the Baptist State Convention. The department's director, Rev. Paul Mullen, provided ministry through 150 requests for assistance with obtaining medical care or concerns about medical bills. More than $65,000 was provided to N.C. Baptist ministers and their families by the 25% subsidy for their hospital bills. A variety of benevolent ministries was also coordinated, primarily the Baptist Benevolent Care Fund.

BAPTIST BENEVOLENT CARE FUND

North Carolina Baptists, through the Mother's Day Offering, opened their hearts to patients in financial need and gave $560,624 in 2000 for the compassionate mission of benevolent care at Baptist Hospital. All of these funds were used to pay the hospital bills of patients in financial need. The fund helps patients who "fall between the cracks," making too much for government assistance but not enough to pay for healthcare insurance. They are deeply thankful to N.C. Baptists for this gracious witness to God's love. As one recipient said, "God smiled on us through the Baptists of North Carolina." Her son is a 13-year-old cancer patient.

ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS AT NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Ranked Among the Nation's Best – Baptist Hospital, part of the Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center, ranks among the nation's top hospitals according to the July 2001 issue of *U.S. News and World Report.* One hundred eighty-eight of the nation's 6,299 hospitals appear on this list.

Comprehensive Cancer Center Recognized for Excellence – The Medical Center's Comprehensive Cancer Center received a 5-year renewal of its status from the National Cancer Institute. The Comprehensive Cancer Center is one of only 37 such centers in the nation, and is the only one in western North Carolina. It includes Prostate and Breast Cancer Centers of Excellence.

Medical Center Earns Recognition for Trauma Care – Baptist Hospital, a Level One Trauma Center, received verification in both adult and pediatric trauma services in February 2001 by the American College of Surgeons. It is the first Level One Trauma Center in North Carolina to receive such recognition.

Downtown Health Plaza Opens – The 47,000 square foot Downtown Health Plaza opened in 2001 to provide healthcare for underserved people in Forsyth and surrounding counties. Thousands of indigent children, adolescents, and adults have received compassionate and thorough medical care during the year.

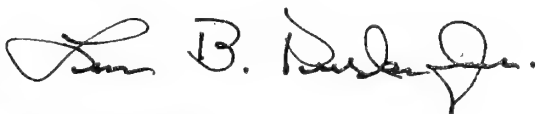
Expansion of Brenner Children's Hospital – Construction of a 400,000 square foot, 11-story addition to the hospital's Ardmore Tower is moving toward completion. Six of the floors will provide space for Brenner Children's facilities, such as private patient rooms, family resource centers, and programs for children with disabilities. The Tower will also include new cardiac catheterization labs and operating rooms.

Information and Appointments – For more information on health related issues or to make an appointment with a physician, contact HEALTH-ON-CALL at 1-800-446-2255 or 336-716-2255.

A CLOSING WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

The values of our Christian faith are the guiding principles of the North Carolina Baptist Hospital mission. We are strongly committed to be a place of healing, bridging compassionate and respectful care in the Spirit of Christ with the best of medical science and technology. This commitment reflects our heritage and shapes our vision for the future. We are thankful to North Carolina Baptists for being our partner in this healing mission. We were created to serve and care for people in times of their greatest healthcare needs, and we are here for you.

Respectfully submitted,



Len B. Preslar, Jr.
President
The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated

BAPTIST RETIREMENT HOMES

OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC.

PROUDLY SERVING OLDER ADULTS SINCE 1951

For Your Information...

Fact Sheet

What Is Baptist Retirement Homes?

Founded in 1951, Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina, Inc. (BRH) is one of North Carolina's most respected providers of long-term care. With four retirement communities throughout the state, BRH provides all levels of care for Older Adults, including special programs for conditions such as Alzheimer's Disease. The Homes' new continuing care retirement community called The Gardens of Taylor Glen is under development near Charlotte. BRH also owns and operates a home health program that provides certified nursing and therapy services to homebound individuals. Baptist Retirement Homes is a not-for-profit organization affiliated with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

Are Residents Of Baptist Retirement Homes Primarily Baptists?

At the Brookridge Community, 60% of the resident population is Baptist. About 80% of the resident population of the Western North Carolina Baptist Home is Baptist. The Taylor House and the Hamilton Baptist Home are primarily composed of Baptist residential populations.

What Is The Cost Of Services? Are Financial Resources Available For Those Who Cannot Pay?

Fees vary according to facilities and the level of care chosen or required by residents. A full schedule of fees for each facility is available upon request. There are no entrance fees associated with any of the health-related facilities owned and operated by Baptist Retirement Homes. The Hamilton Baptist Home and The Taylor House are among the few not-for-profit, church-related, long-term care facilities in North Carolina with no financial requirements for admission. Contributions received from the Baptist State Convention Cooperative Program, the North Carolina Offering for Older Adults, and from local Baptist churches across the state are used exclusively to help BRH provide care for those Older Adults in either assisted living or nursing care who are unable to pay the full cost of the services they need.

Does The Baptist State Convention Of North Carolina Support Baptist Retirement Homes?

Baptist Retirement Homes is affiliated with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina but is a separate and distinct corporate entity. Messengers of the churches that compose the Baptist State Convention elect BRH Board members. In 1999, funds received from the Convention Cooperative Program, the North Carolina Offering for Older Adults, and local Baptist churches totaled approximately $1.6 million. All of those monies are being used to support Older Adults living in assisted living or nursing care who lack sufficient financial resources to pay for the care they receive.

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Where Are BRH Facilities Located And What Services Do They Offer?

The Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston-Salem is a 44-acre continuing care retirement community, established in 1989. Brookridge offers its 300 residents independent and assisted living and nursing care services. Accommodations range from garden homes to apartments to assisted living and nursing care at the Prince Nursing Center. The Brookridge Transitional Care Unit opened in 1995, offering post-acute medical care on site. Home health care is also available on site through In Home Care, Inc., a Baptist Retirement Homes affiliate. Brookridge is a full-service retirement community, offering meal service, nursing services, recreational activities, housekeeping, religious activities, dementia services, a water therapy/exercise center, and more. For more information, contact:

Brookridge Retirement Community

1199 Hayes Forest Drive • Winston-Salem, NC 27106 • 336-759-1044 (FAX) 336-759-7389 • Web site: www.brh.org

The Western North Carolina Baptist Home (WNCBH) is located on a 22-acre tract atop Richmond Hill in northwest Asheville. The Home offers residents assisted living and nursing care. Established in 1979, the Home was recently renovated and expanded to accommodate 150 residents. WNCBH is a full service retirement facility that includes a memory-enhanced residence. It offers meal service, nursing services, recreational activities, housekeeping, laundry, religious activities, and more. For more information, contact:

Western North Carolina Baptist Home

213 Richmond Hill Drive • Asheville, NC 28806 • 828-254-9675 (FAX) 828-254-0253 • Web site: www.brh.org

The Hamilton Baptist Home is a 30-bed assisted living facility located on 18 acres in Hamilton, in eastern North Carolina. Recently renovated to enhance the comfort of the residents, the Home has been in operation since 1963. Services include all daily meals, recreational activities, housekeeping, laundry services, medication assistance, religious activities and more. For more information, contact:

Hamilton Baptist Home

301 North Railroad Street • Hamilton, NC 27840 • 252-798-5901 • Web site: www.brh.org

The Taylor House is home to 30 residents in Albemarle, in North Carolina's Piedmont region. Situated in a residential neighborhood, The Taylor House opened in 1954 and was renovated in 1997. It offers a full range of assisted living services, including three meals daily, housekeeping, private rooms, laundry service, medication monitoring, recreational and religious activities and more. For more information, contact:

The Taylor House

319 Palmer Street • Albemarle, NC 28001 • 704-982-4217 • (FAX) 704-982-5366 • Web site: www.brh.org

The Gardens of Taylor Glen is a continuing care retirement community under development in Concord. For more information, contact:

The Gardens of Taylor Glen

3700 Taylor Glen Lane • Concord, NC 28025 • 704-788-6510 • Web site: www.brh.org

In-Home Care is a Medicare/Medicaid-certified home health care program designed to provide nursing and therapy services to North Carolina Older Adults. For more information, contact:

In-Home Care

22 Miller Street • Winston-Salem, NC 27104 • 336-722-1470

More Questions? Call the Baptist Elder Care Network 1-800-887-7410

The Elder Care Network is a free service offered by Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina, Inc. to Older Adults and their families. One number connects you to a statewide system of caregivers, community resources, and retirement communities to help you deal with the many difficult issues of aging.

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BAPTIST RETIREMENT HOMES
OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC.
PROUDLY SERVING OLDER ADULTS SINCE 1951

Baptist Retirement Homes of North Carolina, Inc.
Winston-Salem • 336.725.0202 • www.brh.org

Western North Carolina Baptist Home
Asheville • 828.254.9675

Brookridge Retirement Community
Winston-Salem • 336.759.1044

Hamilton Baptist Home
Hamilton • 252.798.5901

Taylor House
Albemarle • 704.982.4217

The Gardens of Taylor Glen
Concord (under development)
704.788.6510

THE GENEROUS SUPPORT THE HOMES HAS RECEIVED FROM NORTH CAROLINA BAPTISTS HAS ENABLED IT TO MAKE A UNIQUE PROMISE TO ITS RESIDENTS: *whatever the future may hold, Baptist Retirement Homes will care for them the rest of their lives.*

THE BAPTIST ELDER CARE NETWORK — SIMPLE ANSWERS • 1.800.887.7410
A statewide system of resource counselors answering questions related to the needs of aging persons — A free service provided by Baptist Retirement Homes

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Associational Brotherhood Report
2000/2001

This has been a busy and rewarding year for the men of Ashe Baptist. In addition to the work we are normally involved in, many of our men have been involved with work on the state level.

On June 9, 2001 representatives of the State Baptist Men conducted Disaster Relief Recovery training. This was a very successful training with 35 men & women attending, representing six churches from our association as well as three other men from the Three Forks Association. Thanks go out to the men of Bald Mountain Baptist Church for a well-equipped Disaster Trailer and for hosting the Disaster training event. Thanks also, to Tim Church for the work he is doing with the NC Baptist Men on the Portable Water Plants, which can be transported to any part of the world.

If your church does not have a Brotherhood and you are interested in starting one I encourage you to give me a call and I will be glad to help you and your church. For those churches that have a Brotherhood, if you ever need anything please feel free to give me a call. We ask that you continually pray for us, as we try to share Gods love with those less fortunate than us. If I can be of any help, please call me at 246-5631 or 982-3316.

Respectfully Submitted

Fred Walters,
Associational Brotherhood Director

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

ASSOCIATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT
BIBLE TEACHING/REACHING

Ministry is a continuing process. We must put forth a lot of effort to see that we meet the needs of those who attend Sunday School. What better way to do this, than to get the training that will help us.

Last fall, the resource team went to Caraway for training. We all came away feeling good about what we had learned. We had a fall training session at Fletcher Memorial Baptist Church that was well attended. Many people said it was one of the best training sessions they had ever attended. Praise God for that!

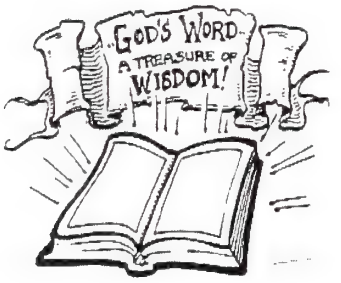
In March of 2001, the Sunday School Department of the Baptist State Convention held a training session at Mission Home Baptist Church which was also very well attended. There were several favorable comments on this training as well. Again, Praise be to God!

The Resource Team will be going to Caraway on September 14th and 15th of 2001. When they return we will schedule another night of Sunday School training, possibly in October. Watch the Associational Newsletter for more information on this.

Jesus said in Matthew 25:35 "I was an hungered and ye gave me meat, I was thirsty and ye gave me drink, I was a stranger and ye took me in."

So feed your students with God's Word and satisfy their thirst with study in His Word. Make them welcome in your classes that they will no longer feel like a stranger, but at the same time we must not forget to reach out, teach, and baptize as the Lord commanded. Feed each other with God's Word especially pray for each other, as I hope you will do for the Resource Team.

May God Bless each and every one of you



Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Jim Ketner
Associational Sunday School Director

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Biblical Recorder
2001 Associational Report

Baptists cling stubbornly to the idea that people should think for themselves and make up their own minds about issues of importance. For this reason, Baptists affiliated with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina (BSCNC) are fortunate to have a resource that provides regular, dependable and balanced news coverage of wide-ranging matters relating to Baptist life.

The *Biblical Recorder*, the official news journal of the BSCNC, has served this purpose since its establishment in 1833 by Thomas Meredith, a prime mover in founding the Baptist State Convention in 1830. The *Biblical Recorder* was privately owned and operated in support of Baptist work in North Carolina until 1938, when the paper was purchased by the Baptist State Convention and incorporated as an agency of the convention.

The *Biblical Recorder* is widely acknowledged to be in the top echelon of state Baptist papers, winning national honors for news and editorial writing in 2000.

The *Biblical Recorder's* strategic role in promoting God's kingdom work through North Carolina Baptists grows from its mission statement: ***"to further Christ's kingdom by providing relevant news, insightful opinions and supportive resources to North Carolina Baptists in a timely and accessible fashion."***

As a BSC agency, the *Biblical Recorder* belongs to all North Carolina Baptists, and appropriately reflects the geographical, ecclesiological, and theological diversity that is typical of the churches making up the Baptist State Convention. The editors and staff of the *Recorder* work diligently to offer a fair and balanced presentation of the news that most affects the life and ministry of North Carolina Baptists. Opinions advanced through editorials, letters, and analytical essays help to spark informed thinking on important issues. Feature stories about notable or innovative activities of churches and associations, regular reports on partnership missions efforts, and weekly commentaries on the most popular Sunday School lessons offer ideas, encouragement, and inspiration to readers of the *Recorder*.

In addition to its printed form, the *Biblical Recorder* maintains a popular presence on the World Wide Web, significantly enhanced through major upgrades in early 2001. The *Recorder*'s website at www.biblicalrecorder.org offers Internet users an opportunity to read much of each paper's content online, and allows for the posting of breaking news prior to the printing of the next issue. New features include an internal search engine, a church locator service, classified ads, Bible study resources and a news/weather portal. Thousands of interested readers around the world consult the online version regularly.

As a BSCNC agency, the *Biblical Recorder* receives annual support from Cooperative Program gifts, making it possible to offer the *Recorder* at very affordable subscription rates. Currently, the annual rates are:

- Church News Service (incorporates church newsletter into the *Recorder*) - $7.50
- Every Home Plan (20%+ of church families, paid through the church budget) - $8.50
- Club Plan (4 or more persons in a church subscribe together) - $9.75
- Individual Subscription - $11.90

Subscription packets and free sample issues are available. For more information, please contact:
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Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

CHALLENGE 2000 REPORT

In October of 1999, the Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association approved a new mission entitled "Challenge 2000". This project was shared from the heart of our Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn at that Executive Meeting. The vision statement of Challenge 2000 is "To bring the message of Jesus Christ to every person in Ashe County in the next three years."

Seven committees were established and goals set to continue this challenge into the future. These committees continue to meet monthly to pray and plan activities.

To date 22 churches have obtained a computer-mapping list provided through the Association office (at no cost) to identify unchurched families to enhance their visitation program. An updated version is being purchased through the State Baptist Convention, and will be available to any church upon request. The committee will provide training for this and provide a witness training workshop for interested churches.

A Challenge 2000 revival has held in March 2001 at Bald Mountain Baptist Church. A countywide crusade is also being planned. A number of churches have contributed their financial support for these activities and our present bank balance is $5,922 .

Please be a prayer warrior and a participant in providing the Gospel of salvation through Jesus Christ,

All glory to God.

Respectfully

Bob Neaves

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Ashe County Christian Action League Report

The Christian Action League is a voluntary organization composed of Christians and concerned citizens brought together to oppose the destructive influences in society that contribute to the low level public morality existing today. The CAL emphasizes the primary importance of spiritual values in the development of the individual, the community and the nation as a whole. The League is dedicated to eliminating laws, which allow for the sale of beverage alcohol, legalized gambling, pornography and other forms of vice which work to destroy the family.

The CAL of Ashe County urges individuals and churches to take a stand against the sale of alcoholic beverages and to the legalization of state sponsored gambling in North Carolina. Historian, Edmund Burke said that evil will flourish when good men do nothing.

The alcohol industry is pushing laws in the legislature, that do not allow a vote on alcohol sales in the local community. Alcohol is currently being sold in Ashe County without a vote of the people. This is contrary to the local option provisions in state law. How does the alcohol industry get by with this flagrant violation of the will of the people? They can accomplish this by contributing huge sums of money to political campaigns. We need to take a stand against this!

The status of the video poker is now in front of our legislators. We urge you to contact our representatives to vote against legalized video poker.

A recent downturn in the state's economy has witnessed a number of people proposing state sponsored gambling as a solution to our economic woes. Proponents of a state sponsored lottery, foster a shameless hoax on the people: that a lottery will improve the quality of education and solve the state's financial problems. Actually, a lottery turns the state into the major exploiter of the poor and desperate. Every study shows that state gambling impacts greatest on the poorest segment of society and lower income people. A lottery turns the state government into the largest gambling house in the state and into a constant and vigorous promoter of gambling. The advertisements and publicity of a lottery talk about getting ahead by chance, not by hard work. This is contrary to Christian values. Psychologist Robert H. Weber reports that there are between five and seven million compulsive gamblers in the United States and their suicide rate is one and a half times the national average. The nation's gambling capital, Las Vegas has the highest crime rate of any city in America, according to US News and World Report. Las Vegas has 36,000 serious crimes reported annually.

Former State Treasurer Harlan Boyles, one of North Carolina's leading financial experts, spoke out strongly against the idea of state gambling. "A lottery", said Boyles, "is no more than a pot of fool's gold at the end of an illusory rainbow." No one today has a better grasp of the factors involved in sound fiscal government than does Harlan Boyles. Boyles in his assessment includes what lottery proponents leave out of their argument: the moral and the social aspects of gambling which impacts so greatly on the lives of people.

The CAL neither endorses candidates nor political parties. However, we do not take strong stands against the sale of alcohol, state sponsored gambling, pornography and the violence portrayed in the media. We urge our friends to stand with us. We shall be asking for your help in the near future as we organized against a statewide lottery. We feel that the state does not belong in the gambling business and that gambling impacts on the poorest in society.

Additional goals for 2001-2002 include the following:

A. To promote strong families and morals in the community.
B. To lobby against state sponsored gambling.
C. To work to eliminate the sale of alcoholic beverages in Ashe County.
D. To organize against ballot approval of a gambling referendum

To achieve these goals, we need the active support of al Christians in Ashe County. We invite all like-minded citizens to join with us in promoting the highest standards of Christian morality in the lives of our people.

Respectfully submitted,
Delmas Parker

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Council on Christian Higher Education

Baptist State Convention of North Carolina

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Campbell University
800-334-4111
www.campbell.edu

Chowan College
800-488-4101
www.chowan.edu

Gardner-Webb University
800-253-6472
www.gardner-webb.edu

Mars Hill College
800-543-1514
www.mhc.edu

Meredith College
800-637-3348
www.meredith.edu

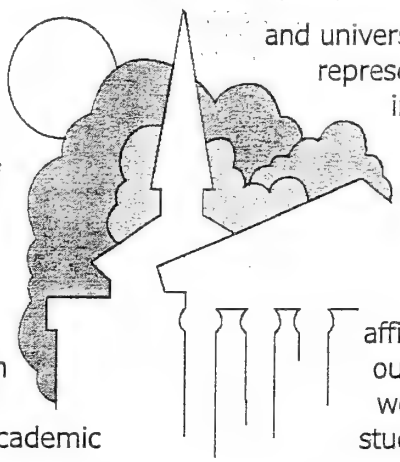
Wake Forest University
800-393-4244
www.wfu.edu

Wingate University
800-755-5550
www.wingate.edu

When it comes to colleges, "*one size does not fit all.*" There is a difference.

North Carolina has 117 post-secondary institutions. Some are classified as community or technical colleges. Others are public, while some are private. Some are Bible colleges. One is a seminary and one is a junior college.

Some have large campuses, while others have modest facilities. Some have major sports teams, while others offer intramural events. Some have significant endowments, while others struggle to stay open. Some have government support, while others depend upon private support.



North Carolina Baptist colleges and universities are unique. They are institutions we trust and support. They represent places that share our core belief that one's education should involve the heart, soul and mind. This belief is not shared by every institution in our state. Some are not allowed to invoke the name of God, neither are they allowed to worship God. North Carolina Baptist colleges, however, are different.

The colleges and universities associated with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina affirm their faith in God and acknowledge their Baptist heritage. Students on our campuses are challenged to develop their faith through Bible study, worship, ministry and mission opportunities in addition to their academic studies.

When a professor on one of our campuses was asked, "*Why have you chosen to be a part of this facility?*" He responded, "*Because I am free to mention the name of Jesus on this campus.*"

When it comes to colleges, "*one size does not fit all.*"

Students in our churches struggle when they are deciding which college or university to attend. It is a decision that will follow them the rest of their lives. If they choose a school where faith is left out of their educational experience, they will graduate with degrees without the benefit of their faith being challenged.

Thank you North Carolina Baptists for your continued support of Christian higher education at Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill, Meredith, Wake Forest and Wingate.

Wayne D. Wike, Executive Director
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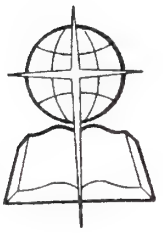

Report of the Director of Missions

"**Disciples of Christ, learning to serve". I Corinthians 7:22** teaches that we are all called as Christians and are set free to serve the King of Kings and Lord of Lords , **The Lord Jesus Christ !** The Ashe Baptist Association is serving as never before at home, in the state, in the county and around the world as servants of the Lord. Young people, middle aged folks as well as senior adults are hard at work serving Jesus and His cause.

I believe our association is functioning well and our churches are reaching out as never before. Two million people search the Internet daily for answers to spiritual matters. Are we in transition ? Knee -mail still works !! **Winning the lost and discipling the believer is still the most important part of God's plan.**

God has a perfect plan for Southern Baptist and the Ashe Baptist Association but more importantly for you and I. I want to be a part of his plan. God is at work. Let's go join him in his plan . 1)Where is our heart ? Do we need passion, energy, or excitement. Let's go to the power source which is God. 2)Do we need to enlarge our vision ? The prayer of Jabez will help. "Let God be God".

Our churches are not to function as bomb shelters but taking communities for Christ. I hope that your church will **network with others churches, the association, and the convention** to accomplish all that you can this coming year. Partnering together helps us to step up to His cause. The activity level increases as we are challenged by each other. **I am Southern Baptist by choice**. I am a part of the Ashe Baptist Association and I thank the Lord for the work our people do for Christ. We still accomplish more for Christ than any other denomination. I am thankful that I can breathe outside the convention since I am not bound by anything that they do that makes me feel uncomfortable. I am not tied so close that God cannot develop me to do his work. **The Ashe Baptist Association is "where the less than perfect, is more than welcome" !!** I am not perfect. I wish I was but until I'm in heaven I will continue to ask God to forgive me as I ask your forgiveness when I fail. We are all less than perfect when we measure by God's standard.

I thank you for your understanding, your encouragement, and your financial support. Without your help and the help of the Lord I would not be where I am today. The following is a portion of the work that God has allowed me to do this past year:

- Traveled 11,504 miles
- Assisted Hispanic Church
- Assisted Ashe Really Cares

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DOM Report Continued

- Assisted Challenge 2000
- Assisted Dental Missions
- Assisted West Virginia Disaster Relief
- Assisted Hurricane Floyd Disaster Relief
- Upgraded office equipment
- Prepared 825 Minute Books
- Prepared 225 Book of Reports
- Prepared 720 Newsletters,14 pages each, Monthly
- Mailed numerous cards and letters to pastors and church officers as needed (to include E-mail and Faxes)
- Submitted Church announcements to Jefferson Post Community Calendar weekly
- Conducted Radio Program on WKSK weekly (Ashe Baptist Associational News)
- Shared "The Thought for the Day" every 2 months on WKSK
- Provided pulpit supply as needed
- Assisted Pastors in 5 Revivals
- Participated in Middle School Career Day
- Helped to co-ordinate and participated in Prayer Breakfast for All Ashe County Schools
- Met with Associational Committees as needed
- Supervised Associational staff
- Provided over 500 hours of counseling
- Taught 4 Discipleship Courses in Churches of ABA
- Organized 5 Baptist State Convention Training sessions in ABA
- Chosen to be 1 of 8 from 80 DOM's in N.C. to be a facilitator for the # 1 problem among NC Churches
- Chosen to be 1 of 4 from among 80 DOM's to be a responder at the DOM Summer Conference
- Worked with (in county and out of county) 5 clinics, Key Leadership, Caraway Programs, Ridgecrest Programs, New Minister Conference at Cary, NC, Appalachian Regional Ministry, and Jesus Video Project
- Assisted with Ashe Pregnancy Care Center, School Based Health Center, Partnership for Children, Smart Start, Ashe Ministerial Alliance, Family Central, FEMA, and Ashe County 4-H

I can see the harvest, and the harvest can be truly great. Let's serve God and our fellow man as Jesus did and go after the harvest. The window of opportunity is open. Let's manage the journey and **let "God be God" and serve Him.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. David Blackburn
Director of Missions /
Associational Missionary
Ashe Baptist Association

HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY CHURCH

Report to the Ashe Baptist Church
for year beginning June 1, 2000- May 31, 2001

Highlands Community Church had a very active year of missions, ministry and outreach activities. June of 2000 found them assisting the Pastor with a popcorn outreach ministry to shoppers at Food Lion and Roses. They handed out nearly 400 bags of popcorn along with information about our church. In September we had a booth at the Lansing Festival giving the church a presence in this community. Our booth offered balloons, and free face painting to children, free popcorn and goody bags to adults. This was an outreach effort for the church. Also in September the church participated in the "Fit For Life Health Fair" held at Family Central. Balloons, popcorn, and goody bags were distributed at this day long event.

As October began to cool things down a bit, the church took to the indoors and hosted a Saturday evening outreach event, including pizza, music, drama, and preaching with New Visions Ministries from Lincolnton, North Carolina. Doug and Tonya Halsey were our guests in October. Reports of the Halsey's summer mission trip to West Virginia sparked an interest in helping Doug and Tonya with a Christmas outreach effort. The ladies led the church to contribute boxes of toys and clothing for this effort. A special Christmas gift was sent to Darwin, a young man Highlands WOM sponsor in Nicaragua. With hearts glowing from the warmth of Christmas season activities, the ladies of Highlands prepared and delivered gifts for each resident of Ashe Manor. Highlands total mission giving in 2000 was $3319.00. We were able to host the girls and boys soccer teams for pizza following each of their home games as well as meet personal needs of several Ashe County families. We also contributed to Associational Missions and NC State Missions.

Highlands has had a very spiritually rewarding year. Our worship services are contemporary and upbeat with a celebrative nature . We have sought to be doing discipleship with a purpose --spiritual transformation. *Spiritual transformation* is God's work of changing a believer into the likeness of Jesus by creating a new identity in Christ and by empowering a lifelong relationship of love, trust, and obedience to glorify God. Transformational discipleship is what happens in a church when its members have experienced spiritual transformation. Every program, every ministry in the life of a church should have the goal to help believers be transformed into the likeness of Jesus Christ. This is a main purpose of Highlands Community Church. It is the goal of Highlands Community Church to have the character of Jesus spilling over into the activities of the church with character-based, internal, spiritual transformation the goal rather than activity-based performance. It is our goal to go way beyond head knowledge about God to really knowing God well enough to believe Him when He gives a directive in life. Highlands will become a place of transformation by God rather than merely a model for activities and programs. We believe a church focused on transformational discipleship is a church focused on Jesus Christ. With these goals in mind Highlands has offered the following transformational classes since June 1 of 2000.

- Individual led studies during the summer to promote teaching leadership
- *"Life in the Spirit"* The final study in the trilogy of "Experiencing God" and "Mind of Christ"
- *"Jesus By Heart"* - believers being transformed into the likeness of Jesus--knowing the heart of God
- *"My Identity in Christ* - how God can transform your earthly identity to who you are in Christ, your true identity.
- *"Living God's Word"* - Practical lessons for applying Scripture to Life
- *"The Kingdom Agenda"* - Experiencing God in the Workplace--All of life under the Lordship of Christ
- *"The Three Chairs"* - Experiencing Spiritual Breakthroughs"
- *"First Place"* - a Christ centered health and fitness study focusing on putting Christ first place--the only place God will recognize in our lives
- *"A Woman's Heart-God's Dwelling Place"* - In depth look at Old Testament Tabernacle and how our hearts are the exact representation of that in Christ.
- *"Jesus The One and Only* - In depth look at the life and ministry of Jesus, our only way to our Heavenly Father
- *"Highlands Membership 101"* has been taught 3 times

Members of Highlands were also provided with copies of "The Prayer of Jabez" and "Returning to Holiness" in efforts to bring ourselves in line with God's Word and His Plans for us as individuals and corporately. A solemn assembly was held in July with powerful results. We praise God.

Highlands continues to seek innovative ways to reach the lost and unchurched in Ashe County. We are a purpose driven church: worship, evangelism, discipleship, ministry/missions, fellowship. We give God praise for all he has done and all he is going to do. It is an exciting journey every day with Jesus! Please pray for us!! Pastor Steve and Dorothy Witherspoon, Church Planters.

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"HISPANIC BAPTIST MISSION "CRISTO EL SALVADOR"

JUNE, 2000 TO JUNE, 2001.

The Hispanic Baptist Mission "Cristo El Salvador" has had a Very Glorious year. The members have become of one accord to follow Jesus.

Sunday School begins at 10:00 am, and the Sunday Preaching is at 11:00 am. Every Thursday, from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm, Pastor Jesus Padilla Nuñez, has Bible Study and prayers in the evening. Also, there are Bible studies at the various homes of members as they have previously agreed to attend. Bible studies are also held at the Pastor's residence at 136 Badger Street, Jefferson, NC 28640. Anyone in need of his services may call him at (336) 246-2575. Pastor Padilla, conducts visitations at the home of the brothers-sisters, and he also visits with them when he is needed and when they are hospitalized. This takes place very often at our Ashe Memorial Hospital. However, he has gone and will go to any place where he is needed. When any problem arises, please don't hesitate to call him at the above listed telephone number. Many of our migrant brothers and sisters come for services, counseling or whatever is needed from places such as Ashe County, NC, Wilkesboro, Sparta, Marion, VA, Mountain City, TN, and many come from Boone, NC, as they know that "Cristo El Salvador", has always been there for them in time of need.

In this year 2001, the Hispanic Baptist Mission "Cristo El Salvador" has started a Jail Ministry at the Ashe County Jail, in order to counsel and help those brothers and sisters in need. Many Bibles and New Testaments have been presented to all the inmates.

I have noticed, but it does not surprise me, the rapid pace at which the hispanic population is growing in Ashe County. Many brothers and sisters have become permanent residents of Ashe County and of the State of North Carolina.

A first for the Hispanic Baptist Mission "Cristo El Salvador", was the Bible Study held at the association's campground on June 30, 2001, conducted by Pastor Padilla. Forty two (42) members attended. Seventeen (17) accepted the Lord, amongst them, were 11 adults and 6 children. The Glory Be To God. My wife Toni and I had the pleasure to attend on July 1, 2001, a delicious barbecue culminating the Bible Study, and we enjoyed the food and the fellowship.

The Hispanic Committe has met once this year. All the members met in order to help Pastor Jesus Padilla Nuñez, to continue his good work at "Cristo El Salvador."

I am very glad to report that for the year 2000-2001, that a total of 48 have been saved, 25 Bibles, 200 New Testaments and 430 tracts have been given at the mission. Many thanks to all the churches that have helped.

Respectfully submitted,

Hank Saralegui,
Member "Hispanic Committee."

The Hispanic Baptist Mission "Cristo El Salvador" has had a Victorious year. The members of the mission all voted to pray every day for 15 minutes.

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Medical Missions Ministry of Ashe Baptist Association
2001 Associational Report

As we reported last year, MMMA has changed the scope of our mission outreach, and subsequently, we have had a busy and productive year. First, a group went to Browning, Montana (Blackfeet Indian Reservation) in mid-September 2000 for the dual purpose of Christian medical service and to facilitate revival services at a small church there.

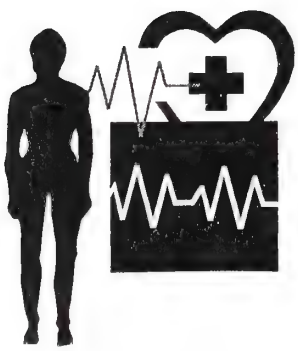
Our medical team worked in the medical clinic in Heart Butte, Montana serving with Dr. Mary Derosier. We treated many people in the clinic and several more in their homes. We had the opportunity to share our faith in Christ on several occasions. The medical needs are fairly well met by Dr. Mary, but she certainly appreciated the help and the opportunity to slow down just a bit from her busy schedule. There is ongoing opportunity for medical and more importantly dental mission in the future.

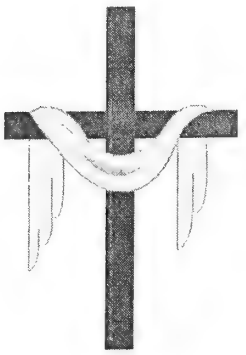
Pastor Lawrence Goodman led the revival services at the Glacier View Baptist Church in Browning. Rev. Phil Beffort pastors this church, with his wife Helen. Several were saved and made recommitments of faith. Rev. Elliott Oswitt led services one night at Glacier View and a another at White Tail Baptist Church in Heart Butte. We stayed in a drug/alcohol rehab center, while in Heart Butte, and several of the men were profoundly influenced by Brother Elliott's testimony.

The first team of 2001 will leave for Browning on August 25th. This is a church building team. A group from Gainesville, Georgia at the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church is leading a construction project to replace the parsonage at Glacier View. A team of eight people will be helping with the siding, roofing, electrical, and plumbing work. Our goal is to have the pastor and his wife in a new home before September snows begin to fall

Respectfully Submitted,

Greg S. Hershner, M.D.





Moderator's Report

We, as Ashe Association Baptist, have an awesome responsibility to take the Gospel that has been freely given to us, to a society that is spiritually bankrupt. I thank God for the wonderful opportunity to be a messenger of this Good News.

As a recent arrival to the area and more recently your moderator, I realize there is a lot to learn about the people and customs of the region. This, I am happy to say, is a wonderfully blessed educational experience. Additionally, it is a blessing having the privilege of working with such kind and loving saints.

The ministry of moderator is not a position of authority, rather an administrator of service. Allow me, if you will, to work for you in His name.

I am honored that you have allowed me to serve this past year and I pledge to you that I shall not deny your trust in the upcoming year.

I ask you to give me your support as I call upon you to help and serve. Having confidence that you will respond in a positive way, I am certain our association will be at the forefront of evangelism in this part of the world, that the Lord has given us.

Let's share the yoke and win Ashe County for Christ.

His Bondservant,

Rev. Kershaw Getty
Moderator

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT
2000/2001

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ALL PROGRAMS BY THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Resolution on lottery: See the following page for the Ashe Baptist Association's resolution in opposition to a state lottery.

Whereas, the Ashe Baptist Association recognizes the continued need for mission work within the Association so hurting people will have their needs provided for. Every need within the whole population can be met through the participation of Pastors and Church members in Challenge 2000.

Whereas, the success of missions, depends upon your prayers and your participation and the gifted abilities of key individuals working that remain nameless and to the Director of Missions-Rev. David Blackburn, Rev. Jesus Padilla- Pastor, and Ashe Really Cares Director- Pat Miller.

Whereas, the Ashe Baptist Association recapitulates their strong support for mission work abroad and for the continued success for missionary work being accomplished within the Hispanic mission, Ashe Really Cares, and Challenge 2000.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Be it resolved that the one hundred and fifteenth annual meeting of the Ashe Baptist Association expresses their gratitude to Warrensville and Grassy Creek Baptist Churches for hosting the annual meetings, and especially to the ladies who worked so hard to prepare the wonderful meals.

Be it further resolved that we appreciate the hard work of our Direction of Missions: Rev. David Blackburn, our Clerk: Sherry Severt, our Treasurer: Linda Blevins, our Moderator: Rev. Kershaw Getty, our Vice Moderator: Jerry Powers, and our Secretary: Trish Church.

Finally, be it resolved that we would (our churches) continue to pray for and financially support the Ashe Baptist Association and our Baptist State Convention and other work that will assist our Churches in spreading the Gospel message of salvation in Jesus Christ throughout the whole world.

Respectfully submitted
Rev. Jerry Francis, Chairman
Fred Walters
Jerry South

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

LET'S STAND
TOGETHER AGAINST
THE LOTTERY

VOTE (NO)

RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO A STATE LOTTERY POSTULATED BY THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Whereas, the Ashe Baptist Association recognize that a state lottery would subvert resources from God's work. A lottery would lead to delights and also purport to take the place of God.

Whereas, Moses chose to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the pleasure of sin for a short time (Hebrews 11:24-26). "Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for joy endured the cross" and not the pleasures that the world espouse money will bring.

Whereas, the acceptance of lesser pleasures, individuals substitute the creation for the creator. Individuals can quickly become idolaters, worshiping the temporary delights of life instead of the eternal God.

Whereas, the description of worldly pleasures? They are fragile, insubstantial; they evaporate the moment they seemly are within arms reach. "For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul"? The world and all its pleasure will pass away, but the man who does the will of God lives forever (I John 2:17).

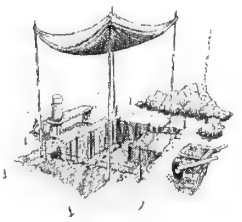
Whereas, worldly pleasures promise freedom, but they bring slavery. Jesus said: " I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever" (John 8:34-35). Sinful pleasures give the illusion of freedom, but they are the worst kind of bondage.

Whereas, one of the Ten Commandments states, "Thou shalt not covet"(Exodus 20:17). Jesus said to love your neighbor as yourself. Coveting success turns to hate and this is the opposite of what Jesus commanded to love.

Therefore, the Ashe Baptist Association immediately irrevocably submits a resolution in opposition to a state lottery. Holding to the financial support of God's work, rather than trying to gain worldly pleasures that will evaporate when tried by fire.

We want to encourage you to contact our State Representatives and Senators, concerning the lottery issue. Below is a list of each member with home phone number and e-mail address.

Ashe Representative are:	**Rex. L Baker -**	336-983-6658, e-mail address Rexb@ncleg.net
	William S. Hiatt	336-789-2095, e-mail address Billh@ncleg.net
	W. Eugene Wilson	828-264-5364, e-mail address Genew@ncleg.net
Senators are:	**Phillip E. Berger**	336-623-4488, e-mail address philbe@ncleg.net
	Virginia Foxx	828-963-5829, e-mail address Virginiaf@ncleg.net



VBS 2001: Truth Trackers & The Secret of the Stone Tablets

The VBS theme this year took us on a new expedition! Our "Truth Trackers" went on an action adventure journey through the deserts of Egypt, Israel, and the Middle East in search of the Stone Tablets, God's Ten Commandments. Our churches were filled with pith helmets, canteens, shovels, sand, geckos, pottery, etc. In other words, everything you'd find in a trip to the desert!

While searching for the Stone Tablets, Truth Trackers explored God's timeless commands to discover Bible stories that illustrate how real people from the Bible obeyed the commands. They discovered not only the principles by which God wants us to live, but also that Jesus is the power by which we live.

As the new Associational VBS Director, I was hesitant when asked to serve, knowing the great work that Amy Rexrode and Diane Dixon before her had done. It has been a challenge, but also a blessing and I could not have done it without the help and support of David Blackburn, Jim Ketner, Trish Church, Diane Dixon and all of my team members. These people work tirelessly for our association in preparing and supporting our churches in VBS and they never cease to amaze me in what they can accomplish. Thank you all!

Thanks to everyone who participated in reaching Ashe county for Christ this year in VBS. VBS can be a lot of work and a sacrifice at times, but the blessings are countless. Your VBS team wants and needs your input and looks forward to working with you all next year.

If you did not participate in VBS at your church this year, I challenge you to do so next year. Pastors, support your VBS team. VBS is a wonderful outreach event for your church and can be a great evangelistic tool. God will work and lives will be changed! The rewards are eternal!

In His Service,

Vickie Young
Associational VBS Director

VBS 2001: Truth Trackers & The Secret of the Stone Tablets

God continually blesses us with a wonderful Associational VBS team. The following team members faithfully gave of their time and talents to help spread the good news of Jesus by providing training at our clinic for our VBS directors and teachers:

Younger/Middle Preschool	Teshia Dillard	Laurel Knob
Older Preschool	Nancy Watson	Trinity
Younger Children	Lori Hensley	Laurel Knob
Middle Children	Jeana Furches	Midway
Older Children	Emma Cox	Trinity
Youth	Rev. Mark Davis	Bald Mountain
Adults	Tim Church	Friendship
Missions	Diane Dixon	Friendship
Recreation	Larry Branch	Bald Mountain
Crafts	Alicia Giles	Friendship
	Angel Brewer	Friendship
	Linda Clark	Midway
VBS Directors	Vickie Young	Pleasant Home

2001 VBS Report

VBS information has been received from the churches listed below. We would like to have a completed report from every church in the Association, if possible.

Church Name	Total Enrollment	Decisions to Accept Christ	VBS Mission Offering
Apple Grove	52	3	0 - canned food drive
Bald Mountain	247	12	$406.17
Big Flatts	31	0	65.00
Bristol	160	6	398.86
Fletcher Memorial	159	2	230.10
Friendly Grove	131	1	160.10
Tuckerdale	97	0	212.28
Blue Ridge	19	0	57.00
Oak Hill	26	0	n/a
Glendale Springs	122	7	n/a
Grassy Creek	43	0	103.45
Landmark	119	0	200.88
Laurel Knob	37	0	10.00
Little Helton	26	0	142.00
New River	101	3	1,020.00
Obids	73	0	97.43
Pleasant Home	40	0	87.81
Trinity	78 & 161	6 & 12	750.00
Healing Springs	95	6	n/a
Mt. Olive	68	6	433.12
Pleasant Home	40	0	87.81
Laurel Knob	37	0	10.00 to ARC
Wagoner	19	0	77.31

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Women's Missionary Union
2000/2001

If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, And one of you say unto, them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit? ***James 2:15-16***

With sort of a slow start, the WMU is now out of the gate, but still a long way from the finish line. In November 2000, the WMU were an asset to the McKammey's concert with their donations of food, all proceeds going to help the ARC. This spring, we met to see about opening some new doors to the mission fields. Many churches were represented, which was exciting. Discussion was made concerning new ways to help local missions as well as discussion on outreach projects.

Since the meeting in the spring we have had two additional meetings on a smaller level and have several projects underway. A few of our future projects include:

- On September 15th, 2001, Midway is hosting Phyllis Foy, a motivational speaker from the state. Our topic of motivation will be "Prayer", and I hope each church will encourage their ladies to attend.

- We are planning a missions fair for the fall., a walk-a-thon for the spring, a series of mini concerts (at local churches), and possibly a talent show to raise money for the ARC and other local missions.

I encourage any women that are not participating in a WMU group and would like to work in missions or would like to start a WMU in your church to please feel free to call me

Yours in Christ

Frances E. Blevins
WMU Director

From the pen of Max Lucado.....
There are times we are called to love, expecting nothing in return.
Times when we are called to give money to people who will never say thanks, to forgive those who won't forgive us, to come early and stay late when no one else notices.
Service prompted by duty. ***This is the call of discipleship.***

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Youth Report for the Ashe Baptist Association

Here are some rather disturbing statistics about young people:

* 1.1 million teens become pregnant each year, representing 11% of all teens aged 15-19.
* Almost half of all teen pregnancies (449,000) end in abortion.
* The U.S. spends 16.65 billion per year on health and other services for families started by women who gave birth while in their teens.
* One in every three teenagers has used an illicit drug within the past 30 days.
* One in every three crimes is committed by a juvenile. People under 21 account for more than half of the arrests for serious crimes.
* Arrests of youth under 18 for drug abuse increased 60-fold from 1960-1980. Arrests of high school seniors for drunkenness rose by 300% in the same period.
* 20% of those hospitalized for depression are under the age of 18.
* Suicide is the second leading cause of death among youth age 15 to 19. It has tripled since 1960.
* Suicide is the second leading cause of death among college students.
* A recent study reveals that 85% of all adolescents think about attempting suicide, at some point. It is an epidemic of despair.

Once upon a time, there was a church staff looking for teachers for children and preschoolers and youth. And some adults said, "I don't want to leave the sweet fellowship and study in my adult class." (But the drug pusher on the street said, "Not even the threat of jail will keep me from working with your children.")

And some adults said, "I could never give the time required to plan and go to teachers' meetings." (But the pusher, the porno book dealer, and the movie producer said, "We'll stay open whatever hours are necessary everyday to win the minds of the kids.")

And some adults said, "I'm unsuited, untrained, unable to work with children, preschoolers or youth. (But the movie producer said, "We'll study, survey, spend millions to produce whatever turns kids on.") So, the adults stayed in their classes and enjoyed the sweet fellowship and absorbed the good Bible Study, and could go out of town often on the weekend and were available to do whatever was good to do on Wednesday or Sunday nights instead of teachers' meetings. And when Sunday came, the children came to their classes and no one was there except the church staff going from one room to another trying to assure them that someone would surely come to teach them some Sunday soon. But no one ever came, and the young children soon quit coming because they had gone to listen to others who did care about the things they did and what went into their minds....

May we as Ashe Baptist realize that our young people are very important. What will God lead you and I to do to keep our folks (youth and adults) from being in these statistics ? Pray for the Ashe Baptist Youth Committee as they serve and as we help them help our youth.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. David Blackburn
DOM Ashe Baptist Association

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Associational Music Committee Report
2000/2001

I am so thankful for a great year in our music department here in the association. We had many folks to help form a choir to sing in our annual meeting and they are wonderful. We also did a special singing with the McKamey's last year and it was a great service of worship through music. We are praying that we can get the McKamey's to come back in the year 2001 for another evening with these folks.

Let me say on behalf of all the folks who have served on this committee, we thank all of those who took the time to help us in all the efforts we tried to do last year. If people are not willing to give, then there is no use to have a committee of any kind. Your dedication and commitment to the Lord has really been a blessing to many and to all those who heard you sing at the Annual Meeting.

We hope to form another choir for our next meeting and are praying that we will be able to visit some churches and sing in the fall of 2001 when revival services will be going on in many of our Southern Baptist Churches. If you would like for this choir to come and worship with your people during your revival meeting, please call 384-3044 and let us know the date and time you would like for us to come worship with you. If we come to your church we will do all we can to be a blessing and an encouragement to your pastor and the good people of the church of God.

Pray about helping us as we strive to serve the Lord, and as we strive to become a blessing as well as a help to our churches in the Ashe Baptist Association.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Wayne Osborne
Music Committee Director

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
OCTOBER 5, 2000

The regular quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association was held on October 5, 2000 at the Bald Mountain Baptist Church. The meeting was called to order by Rev. Kershaw Getty, Moderator. It was announced that due to the deaths of Bob Shumate and Jim Nash, Rev. Lawrence Goodman and Rev. Mark Davis would be unable to attend this meeting.

Following a congregational hymn led by Rev. Wayne Osborne, Rev. David Blackburn, Director of Missions welcomed everyone and presented a devotion from Psalms 122:11. He asked that our opening prayer focus on seven churches in our association that are currently seeking pastors: Little Helton, Midway, North Beaver, Healing Springs, New River, Farmer Memorial, and Phoenix. Rev. Blackburn encouraged all churches to pray for and assist these churches, calling on "the strong to help the weak". Brother Jerry Francis then led an altar prayer.

Sherry Severt, Associational Clerk read the roll call of churches with 26 representatives, representing 13 churches present. The Clerk then presented the minutes of the July Executive Committee meeting, there being no corrections from the floor, the minutes were approved as presented. The Clerk next presented the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Ashe Baptist Association held on August 18 and 19th , 2000. These minutes being nine pages in length, copies were not distributed and the reading of the minutes was waived. Upon a motion and second, the minutes were approved, pending any corrections that might be required from review of the minutes, available at the Ashe Baptist Association office.

On behalf of Linda Blevins, Association Treasurer, who was unable to be present, Sherry Severt presented the Treasurer's Report, a copy of which is attached hereto. There being no corrections from the floor, the minutes were approved as presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mrs. Pat Miller, Director of **Ashe Really Cares** presented her report on the activities of ARC. 374 food boxes were given, 9 Bibles presented, and a number of church referrals made this quarter. A donation of 50 blankets was made for distribution. ARC has partnered with West Jefferson School, where students are collecting a different food item each month and one class delivers the donation to the ARC. In August sixty 6th grade students delivered pancake mix and syrup. In September forty-five 1st graders delivered food and stocked shelves. Ms. Miller has actively worked with referrals from A Safe Home for Everyone, Social Services, Health Department and other agencies and made a presentation to the men's group at Midway Baptist Church. Volunteers are needed to cover the hours of 3:00 to 5:00 pm at the ARC. Rev. David Blackburn commented that he has received calls from Social Services and others expressing appreciation to the ARC.

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Rev. David Blackburn reported for **Challenge 2000** that the Revival held at Friendship Baptist Church was a great success with a capacity crowd, and many at the altar. The Events Committee of Challenge 2000 has tentatively scheduled the next county wide revival for the end of March. Churches were encouraged to pick up their neighborhood prayer list, created from the Mapping Center software. These lists of all residents within a certain radius of each church will enable churches to visit and evangelize their communities. The Witness Training committee is working with a witnessing tool called Share Jesus Without Fear. Everyone was encouraged to attend the next Challenge 2000 meeting to be held on October 23rd at 7:00 pm.

Rev. Blackburn encouraged everyone to attend **the Baptist State Convention** to be held on November 13th and 14th.

Packets were distributed for **Sunshine Sunday**, a day promoting awareness of issues relating to suicide and depression. Pamphlets were provided on the **Broughton Hospital** project to provide items for residents at Christmas. An article on this will follow in the Ashe Baptist newsletter.

The **Dental Bus** will be at Fletcher Memorial on October 20 and 21 at Fletcher Memorial from 8 am to 5 pm. Everyone was asked to announce this at their churches and encourage those needing dental work who are unable to pay to call Hank Saralegui for an appointment.

Rev. Jim Ketner then reported on the Sunday School Workshop to be held at Fletcher Memorial on October 16th at 7:00 pm. All pastors, Sunday School Directors and workers are encouraged to attend. The topic is teaching methods.

A special report was then presented by Ms. Stacy Grubb, administrative assistant and client advocate for A Safe Home for Everyone. Her agency carries beepers and are on call 24 hours a day to assist with domestic violence and sexual abuse cases. She reported that 181 contacts have been made in the year 2000. ASHE works with Oasis and SAFE in Boone and Wilkes and is currently working on a project in the daycares to promote awareness of violence issues called Hands are Not for Hitting. She presented purple ribbons and pamphlets with resources available to be distributed to churches in honor of Domestic Violence Awareness month in October.

There being no other committee reports, the moderator then called for Old Business. Rev. Jesus Padilla, through his interpreter, Jesus Padilla, Jr. reported that the Hispanic mission serves 15-22 adults every Sunday and approximately 13-16 children every Sunday. Space is minimal creating a problem with where to put the children during worship. This summer the children have been outside but with winter coming, Rev. Padilla requested prayer for a resolution to this problem. Also, Rev. Padilla requested prayer to resolve the transportation problem encountered by the mission. They have need for a larger vehicle to transport their congregation to worship. Rev. Padilla requested pastors to promote to their congregation that he be allowed to come to the fields of the tree growers in order to reach the workers for Christ. The idea of an announcement on the radio for the Hispanic mission was also mentioned.

As to new business, the locations for the next four Executive Committee meetings were opened to volunteers. The meetings will be held as follows:

January- Friendship, April – Beaver Creek, July – Tuckerdale, October – Liberty Grove. Upon motion by Rev. Wayne Osborne, seconded by Charles Severt, these locations were approved.

Rev. David Blackburn next presented a letter (copy of which is attached) from Sabbath Home Baptist Church requesting permission to withdraw from the association. Upon motion and second, this motion was carried with the provision that a letter of regret be sent to the church with notice that Sabbath Home would be welcomed back into the association upon their application to do so at any time.

Rev. Blackburn next presented a letter from Three Forks Baptist Church requesting permission to withdraw from the association. Rev. Blackburn stated that he and former Moderator, Rev. Jerry Powers had encouraged Three Forks to remain in the association; however, the church had made the decision to withdraw. Upon motion and second, the motion carried to allow Three Forks to withdraw with the provision that a letter of regret be sent with notice of welcome back to the association upon their application at any time.

The Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn then requested nominations for the "In Honor of" section of the 2000/2001 minute books. There being no nominations from the floor, the DOM requested permission for himself and the Associational secretary, Sherry Severt to select someone for this honor. Upon motion by Fred Walters, seconded by Wayne Osborne, this motion carried. Rev. Blackburn requested that if anyone had a suggestion for this honor, to please notify the Associational office quickly as the minute books will be printed soon.

There being no further new business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn . Rev. Jesus Padilla and son, sang "Amazing Grace" in Spanish and the meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Severt, Clerk

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE
ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
JANUARY 4, 2001

The regular quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association was called to order on January 4, 2001. The meeting was held at the Friendship Baptist Church and moderated by Jerry Powers, filling in for moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty who was unable to be present. Following opening remarks, a congregational hymn "Are You Washed in the Blood?" was led by Brother Don Goodman.

Rev. David Grinnell presented the welcome and devotion taken from Acts 13:1-3. He then led the congregation in prayer.

Sherry Severt, Associational Clerk then read the roll call of the churches with 34 people present representing the following 18 churches: Clifton, Fletcher Memorial, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Grassy Creek, Healing Springs, Laurel Knob, Liberty Grove, Midway, Mission Home, Mount Olive, New River, North Beaver, Old Fields, Phoenix, Round Knob, Tuckerdale, and Welcome Home.

The minutes of the October meeting were distributed. There being no corrections or additions and upon motion by Rev. Jerry Francis, seconded by Fred Walters, the minutes were approved as presented.

Linda Blevins, Associational Treasurer presented the Treasurer's Report for the final quarter of the year 2000. Ms. Blevins noted that the costs for printing this year's minute book were included in the printing line item. Also the proceeds of the McKamey's concert totaling $1308.13 were donated to Ashe Really Cares. Ms. Blevins asked that if anyone had not paid for their McKamey's tickets to please do so. There being no additions or corrections and upon motion by Fred Walters, seconded by Rev. Jack Miller, the financial report was approved as presented.

Jerry Powers, Acting Moderator then opened the floor for Committee Reports. Ms. Pat Miller, Director of Ashe Really Cares reported that the ARC had encountered and helped many homeless, and many in need due to a variety of circumstances. She reported that Mtn. View Elementary School and joined West Jefferson School in participation in food collections for the ARC. Ten new client files had been opened during the month of December. Ms. Miller reported that volunteers are still needed and that donations of food are particularly appreciated now to replace the shortage of food available from the Second Harvest Food Bank.

Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn then took the floor and expressed his appreciation on behalf of the Association to Pat Miller for her tireless efforts and dedication in her work at Ashe Really Cares. He offered thanks to Rev. Jim Ketner,

John, Darnell, and Glenn South for their assistance with food pickup and other necessary jobs at the ARC.

Rev. Blackburn then reported on the progress of the Challenge 2000 project. which will meet next on January 22nd at North Beaver Baptist Church. He thanked those churches who are participating, including many not members of our association such as Mt. Paddy Christian Union, Scottsville Baptist, Big Laurel Mennonite, and others.

Rev. Blackburn next presented the Director of Mission Updated reporting that six churches were currently seeking pastors and asking that all these be remembered in prayer. He reminded everyone to support and pray for Rev. Ray Mintor, interim pastor of Midway Baptist Church, Rev. Wayne Jones, new pastor at New River, and Rev. Allen Huffman, new pastor at Little Helton.

Rev. Blackburn reported that many of our churches are growing and building including Landmark- new sanctuary, new fellowship halls at Grassy Creek and Tuckerdale, new addition at Blue Ridge, and a large new addition at Bald Mountain.

Next, everyone was encouraged to attend the NC Evangelism Conference coming soon and to participate in Baptist Men's Day to be held on January 28th. Fred Walters, Associational Brotherhood Director was recognized for his hard work and reported a successful project resulting in the delivery of 82 bicycles to needy children in West Virginia.

Our Director of Missions then reminded everyone of the Special Sunday School Conference to be held on March 12th at Mission Home. All Sunday School leaders, teachers, assistants and pastors were encouraged to attend.

Rev. Blackburn reported that he has been asked to facilitate a group study at the upcoming annual session of the Baptist State Convention and encouraged all churches to utilize the many resources available through the Baptist State Convention.

Acting Moderator Jerry Powers then called for any new business to be brought to the floor. The association was reminded that the Hispanic Mission has many needs including more space, particularly for the Children's Ministry.

It was reported that the "In Honor Of" section of this year's minute book was made in honor of John Witherspoon.

Next on the agenda was new business. Rev. Jerry Francis made a motion that the association reimburse our Director of Missions for 30% of the cost of utilities as he currently pays to heat and cool the associational office located inside the parsonage. Following a second and discussion, the motion was amended to reimbursement for 50% of utilities. Treasurer Linda Blevins was asked to accomplish this without tax penalty ramifications for Rev. Blackburn. The motion carried.

Rev. Francis next made a motion that the association purchase a second telephone line for the associational office to be used for the Internet connection. He reported that the Internet is used consistently and that this ties up both the phone and fax for the associational office. The motion was seconded by Rev. Jim Ketner and the motion carried.

There being no further new business, a motion was made to adjourn by Charles Severt. Following the second, Rev. Blackburn expressed his appreciation on behalf of he and Linda to the association for the actions taken for their benefit at this meeting. He asked that all continue to pray for he and Linda as they go about the Lord's work.

Dr. Jim Rash led the congregation in prayer around the altar and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry G. Severt,
Associational Clerk

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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION APRIL 5, 2001

The Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association met for its regular quarterly meeting on April 5, 2001 at the Beaver Creek Baptist Church. The meeting was called to order by Moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty. A congregational hymn, "Victory in Jesus" was led by Brother Don Goodman.

Next, Rev. Johnny Goodman welcomed everyone to the Beaver Creek Baptist Church and led in a devotion from 1st Corinthians 13. Following the devotion, Rev. Goodman led the congregation in prayer.

Mrs. Sherry Severt, Associational Clerk then took the roll call of the churches with a total of 45 people present representing the following twenty-three churches: Beaver Creek, Calvary, Clifton, Hispanic Mission, Fletcher Memorial, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Glendale Springs, Grassy Creek, Healing Springs, Landmark, Liberty Grove, Little Helton, Midway, Mission Home, New River, North Beaver, Old Fields, Phoenix, Pine Swamp, Round Knob, Tuckerdale, and Warrensville.

The Moderator then called attention to the minutes from the January 2001 meeting that were distributed to those present. Rev. David Blackburn made a clarification to the matter on page 2 of the minutes as to the payment of telephone and utilities at the associational office. The change was made that the association would pay for all office calls and the Blackburn's would pay for all parsonage calls. He also reported that the additional telephone line for Internet was working very well and that a splitter had been installed enabling use of a regular phone on this line, as well. Rev. Blackburn expressed appreciation to the association for these improvements. There being no corrections or additions, the minutes were approved as presented.

In the absence of Mrs. Linda Blevins, Treasurer, the Moderator presented the Treasurer's report for the first quarter of 2001. There being no corrections or additions from the floor, the report was approved as presented.

The next matter of business was the Committee Reports. Moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty recognized Mrs. Pat Miller, Director of Ashe Really Cares. Mrs. Miller reported that 529 boxes of food and 12 Bibles had been distributed, with a total of 62 new clients coming in to the Center. She also reported that 14,043 pounds of food from Second Harvest Food Bank alone had been distributed this quarter, not counting food from church and individual donations. Mrs. Miller indicated that there is a still a need for volunteer help and for donations of old Sunday School literature, missions magazines, etc. These items are included in the food boxes as an additional way to present the word of God to those seeking assistance from ARC.

Mrs. Miller reported that ARC had been working with the Women's Prison Ministry to provide assistance with food and clothing and that the Boy Scouts Annual Food Drive had donated 678 pounds of food to ARC this quarter. As to the ARC Budget, Mrs. Miller stated that the North American Mission Board was no longer providing funds for the project, resulting in a $6000 budget shortage for ARC. Mrs.

Miller expressed hope that donations from individuals and churches would make up this shortfall and noted that additional funding sources were being sought. The move to Family Central is still planned but on hold, pending resolution of heating and air conditioning issues. Mrs. Miller reiterated the need for volunteers and for donation of bed frames, couches, and other items of furniture.

Next, Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn was recognized to report on Challenge 2000. Rev. Blackburn expressed appreciation to Pat Miller, Director of Arc for her excellent work in the ministry and thanked the association for its support of ARC. Rev. Blackburn reported that the Challenge 2000 revival held recently was very successful, having filled the new sanctuary at Baldwin Community Church. He thanked Rev. Ken Furches, Rev. Lawrence Goodman, Rev. Johnny Goodman and Rev. Darien South for the fine messages brought during the revival. He reminded everyone that the Mapping Center was available to provide lists of names and addresses for each church to contact those in their area. Everyone was encouraged to attend the next meeting to be held on April 23, 2001 at Beaver Creek Baptist Church.

Next, Rev. Blackburn introduced Rev. Jesus Padilla, pastor of the Hispanic Mission and asked him to sing. Rev. Padilla graciously sang "Amazing Grace" in Spanish. Rev. Blackburn reported that the state has approved the I140 form for Rev. Padilla but that a final response from Texas is still pending. Rev. Blackburn and Rev. Lawrence Goodman have met with the INS in Charlotte and have consulted with an Immigration lawyer from Chapel Hill to assist in the resolution of this matter. He then presented a Geographic Comparison Table with figures taken from the recent census showing a population of 592 Hispanic people in the County, noting that only those responding to the Census were included.

Rev. Blackburn then reported on the upcoming Region 7 Rally for Baptist Men on be held on May 10th at Millers Creek Baptist Church in Wilkesboro. On behalf of Brother Fred Walter, Associational Brotherhood Director, everyone was encouraged to attend and support this meeting as well as the Disaster Recovery Training to be held on Saturday, June 9th at Bald Mtn. Baptist Church. All Baptist men are encouraged to come and learn procedures for assisting in Disaster Relief and Recovery efforts.

Rev. Kershaw Getty next noted that a crusade is being planned for KIDS (Kids in Divine Service). This crusade is being proposed by Rev. Getty as a project for the Challenge 2000 ministry.

Rev. Jim Ketner was recognized as Chair of the Nominating Committee and presented the report distributed to those present. There being no further nominations from the floor, a motion was made to accept the following slate of key leaders as proposed by the Nominating Committee:

Associational Clerk	Mrs. Sherry Severt
Youth Director	Bro. Steve Viers
Brotherhood Director	Bro. Fred Walters
Discipleship Training Director	Mrs. Linda Blackburn
Evangelism Chairman	Rev. Ken Furches

Moderator	Rev. Kershaw Getty
Music Director	Rev. Wayne Osborne
Seminary Extension Director	Rev. Ron McMillan
WMU Director	Mrs. Frances Blevins
Sunday School Director	Rev. Jim Ketner
Deacon Ministry Director	Rev. Allen Huffman

Motion was carried and the above were installed as Key Leaders for the Association 2001.

Next, Rev. Roger Newton was recognized as Chaplain of Hospice of Ashe. Rev. Newton explained the mission of Hospice of Ashe was for the care of terminal patients in his or her own home. He reported on the Teenage Grief Camp to be held the last weekend of April for children ages 13-18 dealing with the loss of a family member or friend. Rev. Newton introduced Carl Tuttle, Director of the Ashe County Health Department and member of the Board of Directors of Hospice of Ashe. Mr. Tuttle encouraged everyone to inform his or her churches of the upcoming Mtn. Aire Golf Club Fundraiser to be held on June 15th. Registration fee is $50 and hole sponsorships are $100. All proceeds will go to Hospice of Ashe.

Next, Rev. Mark Creech of the Christian Action League was introduced as Guest Speaker. Rev. Creech spoke from Exodus 20 and Mark 8:36 on the topic of uniting Christians to defeat bills recently introduced in both the House and Senate to approve a state-sponsored lottery in North Carolina. Noting that the lottery is harmful, addictive, diverts dollars from legitimate retail businesses, and does not enhance education as promoters claim, Rev. Creech encouraged all those present to take back information packets to their churches and for all to flood our legislators with calls, faxes and e-mails stating our opposition to the lottery.

The moderator then called for any old business. Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn spoke on the proposed change in the size of the minute book to a standard 8.5 x 11 noting that this change would increase costs but would make the book easier to read and easier to produce. Upon motion by Don Goodman, seconded by Rev. Ken Furches this change was approved.

Rev. Blackburn also encouraged everyone to support the Mother's Day Offering to support NC Baptist Hospital, noting that Brother Harold Jordan and he were featured on the video available to churches to promote the offering. Brother Jordan was helped recently with his hospital bill by the Baptist Hospital.

As to new business, Rev. David Blackburn speaking on behalf of the Resolution Committee: Rev. Jerry Francis, Brother Fred Walters and Brother Jerry South, suggested that the association should issue a resolution opposing the lottery and that this resolution should be publicized in the Jefferson Post, the associational newsletter and other forums. Following discussion, Brother Don Goodman made a motion that the Resolution Committee be authorized to draft a resolution opposing the lottery and that the resolution be publicized in both the Jefferson Post and the Mtn. Times. Motion was

seconded by Allen Huffman and the motion carried. Brother Fred Walters was asked to pursue this with the Resolutions Committee.

Next, Rev. David Blackburn made a motion to move the regular Executive Committee meeting scheduled for July 5th at Tuckerdale to July 12th due to the Fourth of July holiday. Following a second by Rev. Johnny Goodman, the motion was approved.

Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn next informed the association that Rev. Jesus Padilla had been unable to work at his public job in the last month or so and because of the I140 situation was unable to receive wages from the Ashe Baptist Association. Rev. Blackburn asked if the association may want to provide a love offering to help Rev. Padilla with expenses. Upon motion by Fred Walters, seconded by Rev. Wayne Jones, to give a love offering of $500 to Rev. Padilla. The motion carried.

As to other new business, Brother Don Goodman was recognized and spoke on the comparison of the liquor by the drink issue faced by our county some years ago and the lottery issue. Brother Don quoted Marse Grant, writer for the Biblical Recorder who stated many years ago, "You can't drink and gamble your way to prosperity", noting that many of the states that had adopted liquor by the drink had since become bankrupt financially. He encouraged everyone to seriously consider this issue and work to defeat the approval of a lottery in North Carolina.

There being no further new business, a motion to adjourn was made by Rev. Johnny Goodman, seconded by Bobby Hamby. The motion carried.

Prayer was led around the altar by Rev. Ken Furches.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry G. Severt,
Associational Clerk

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION JULY 12, 2001

The regular quarterly meeting of the Ashe Baptist Association was held on July 12, 2001 at the Tuckerdale Baptist Church. There were 21churches represented by a total of 29 people present.

Rev. Kershaw Getty addressed the meeting with suggestions for a regular get-together for pastors/ministers to allow time for fellowship, sharing, and to unify the association. Following these remarks, the meeting was called to order by Rev. Kershaw Getty, Moderator.

A congregational hymn "I Am Blessed" was led by Brother Powers, of the Tuckerdale Baptist Church accompanied by Rev. Wayne Osborne, pianist. Rev. Larry Powers then presented the welcome, devotion taken from Psalms 11 and led the congregation in prayer.

Ms. Sherry Severt, Association Clerk presented the roll call of the church as reported above. Next the minutes of the April 2001 meeting were distributed and there being no corrections or additions were approved as presented.

Mrs. Linda Blevins, Associational Treasurer next presented the Treasurer's Report. There being no corrections or additions, the report was approved as presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mrs. Pat Miller, Director of Ashe Really Cares reported that 197 boxes of food were distributed during the month of June and a total of 47 new clients were served. It was reported that many churches had donated their mission offerings from Vacation Bible School to the ARC. Special needs mentioned were volunteers to work, particularly during the hours of 3- 5 pm and food items, particularly breakfast foods, beans and other vegetables. Responding to a question from the floor, the Director of Missions commented that due to the possibility of lawsuits home-canned items were generally not accepted.

Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn was recognized and expressed his appreciation to those in attendance for their support and prayers. He reported his recent attendance at the Summer Conference for DOM's

held at Camp Caraway where he met with approximately 80 other Directors of Missions for prayer, study, and fellowship. Rev. Blackburn introduced, Mrs. Trish Church, new office assistant for the Association and member of Friendly Grove Baptist Church. Rev. Blackburn next recognized Rev. David Jones, new pastor of Healing Springs Baptist Church.

Rev. Blackburn presented an update on the Challenge 2000 project indicating that the halfway point of the three year project had been reached and reporting that an upgrade of the Mapping Center program had been purchased at a cost of $350. This program includes updated information from the Year 2000 census. Training is included to be held at the Hollifield Training Center in August. Next Challenge 2000 meeting is to be held on July 26th at Healing Springs Baptist Church. All churches were encouraged to come and receive this information, a valuable tool for church outreach.

Rev. Blackburn invited anyone interested in the annuity program to attend an Annuity Supper to be held at Don's Seafood on July 19th and requested that attendees contact the ABA office to sign up.

The five churches currently seeking pastors were held up for prayer and support from the association: Midway, Phoenix, Trinity, Mission Home, and North Beaver.

DOM Blackburn reminded everyone that the Associational Meeting is coming up soon to be held on Friday, August 17 at 2:00 pm at Warrensville Baptist Church with a missionary from Mozambique as keynote speaker and special music to be provided by the associational choir. Saturday's meeting to be held on August 18th at 9:00 am at the Grassy Creek Baptist Church. Delegates, pastors and alternates were urged to attend and vote; everyone else is invited to attend without voting privileges.

Prayer breakfasts are to be held at every school in the county this year on August 6, 7, and 8. Prayers will be spoken for all teachers, students, administration, their safety, and the homes represented at each prayer breakfast. A meeting to plan this event will be held on July 31st at 7:00 pm at the Welcome Home Baptist Church.

Rev. Jim Ketner next introduced the evening speaker, Rev. Galen Hahn who spoke on behalf of Boy Scouts of America. He encouraged all those present to consider starting a scout troop as a way to reach out to young

people and their families. He spoke of the basic skills learned in scouting and the development of leadership abilities in boys and young people. Handouts were distributed and the congregation viewed a short film on the aims of boy scouting including: character, citizenship, fitness of body, mind, and spirit. Ms. Terri Shatley , a cub master for Ashe County was recognized for her work in scouting.

There being no old business and no new business to be brought before the congregation, a motion to adjourn was made and seconded, and the meeting was adjourned. Prayer was held around the altar.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry G. Severt
Associational Clerk

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ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION ONE HUNDRED FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION
WARRENSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH
Friday Afternoon, August 17, 2001

Moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty, called the one hundred fifteenth annual session of the Ashe Baptist Association to order on August 17, 2001 at the Warrensville Baptist Church.

Rev. Wayne Osborne led the congregation in a congregational hymn, "Revive Us Again". Following the congregational, a welcome and devotion was led by Rev. Wayne Osborne, Pastor, Warrensville Baptist Church, on the topic of this years theme "Disciples of Jesus- Learning to Serve" with scripture taken from Isaiah 42: 5-7.

Next, Moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty turned to organizational matters including the seating of messengers who were asked to stand and be recognized and the adoption of the order of business. Motion was made to change the order of business to include remarks by Rev. Wayne Osborne regarding the West Virginia mission opportunity. Motion was made by Hank Saralegui and seconded by Johnny Goodman. The motion carried.

Visitors were recognized including: Gayle & Stella Brown of the Baptist State Convention, Brenda Gray of Baptist Children's Home. New pastors coming into the association since the last annual meeting was recognized: Rev. David Jones and wife Nan of Healing Springs Baptist Church and Rev. Allen Huffman of Little Helton. Committee appointments made by the Nominating Committee were presented and approved. It was noted that Bald Mountain Baptist Church would host the Saturday session of next year's annual meeting. A host is needed for the Friday session.

Next in the order of business was the roll call of the churches by Associational Clerk, Ms. Sherry Severt. At least 100 persons were present representing 35 churches, including 21 pastors attending.

Next member Diane Eldreth presented the history of Warrensville Baptist Church. Following the presentation, Rev. Wayne Osborne led a congregational hymn "Brethren We Have Met to Worship"

Moderator Getty next introduced Rev. Billy Joe Blevins, Pastor, Bristol Baptist Church who presented the evening message on "How to Get the Job Done" with scripture from Acts 8: 26. Following the message, Rev. Wayne Osborne led in another congregational hymn "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms".

Next on the agenda were various items of miscellaneous business. Moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty presented the organizational officers and administrative committees as detailed in the minute book. These recommendations were approved.

Mrs. Linda Blevins next presented the treasurer's report. There being no corrections or additions the report was approved as presented. Moderator then recognized Mr. Bob Neaves, Chairman of the Budget Committee who summarized changes to the budget as follows: 3% increase for the Director of Missions, increase in office assistant to thirty hours per week, treasurer up to 7 hours per week, with an overall increase of 9%. In addition, a request was made to increase the Ashe Really Cares budget by $9000 to compensate for funds from the North American Mission Board which would be lost this year. The vote on this budget was deferred until the Saturday session.

As to other business: Rev. Jerry Francis made a motion to place this year's minute book in honor of Rev. M.D. Hart who has been instrumental in the forming and growth of a number of churches in the association. Motion was seconded by Lawrence Goodman and carried unanimously. Secondly, Rev. Francis made a motion that the minute book this year be in memory of Rev. Billy Smith. Motion was seconded by Rev. Johnny Goodman and carried unanimously.

Next was the information presented by Rev. Wayne Osborne on the opportunity to assist those hurt by recent flooding in West Virginia, noting that 1,600 homes were condemned due to flood damage. Noting the need for buckets, mops, shovels, food, diapers, lime, and other items, he proposed a goal of putting one family in a home by Christmas. It was reported that the sum of $8000 would frame in a home for one family before winter. Rev. Osborne made a motion that each church in the association be asked to contribute $200 which with 43 churches would be sufficient for one home to be framed. Brother Fred Walters of Friendship Baptist Church seconded the motion which carried.

Reports of institutions and agencies were next on the agenda. Information on Baptist Children's Homes was presented by Brenda Gray, representative of BCM. Stating that 1 of 5 children in North Carolina live in poverty, Ms. Gray reported that over 2000 boys and girls were given a home by Baptist Children's Homes. She closed by stating "thank you for loving my children".

Paul Mullen, representing NC Baptist Hospital next presented information on the Mother's Day offering for benevolent care which pays hospital fees for recipients in need. He reported that a member of our local association, Brother Harold Jordan had been assisted this year by the fund and asked for our continuing support. The phone number for HEALTH ON CALL 1-800-446-2255, opt. 2 was given by Mr. Mullen encouraging anyone with needs to call. He finished by reporting on a dinner to be held this fall for church leaders to present information about the hospital and its benevolent fund.

Next, Bruce Raybon of Gardner Webb University presented information on this school for private Christian higher education, stating that the university strives to provide both quality education and character education. He stated that 70-75 new ministerial scholarships were given this year and asked that we support the Center for Congregational Enrichment.

The next report was offered by Todd Edmiston "Odd Todd" of Fruitland Bible Institute who invited anyone interested to come by for a visit to the campus as part of their "Experience Fruitland" campaign. Church groups or classes are invited to tour the facility and take part in the informative "fun*food*faith*fellowship" trip. He reported that Fruitland is in the process of a new library building project and that our continued support can make this dream a reality.

Tony W. Cartledge, editor of The Biblical Recorder next presented information on this weekly paper for NC Baptists. Free copies were distributed and it was noted that informative articles on every aspect of Baptist life are included.

Rev. Bill Stillerman of the Baptist Retirement Home thanked the congregation for the associations' support of this ministry noting that its facilities are open to all NC Baptists and strives to make life for these seniors "the best of times".

Next, Gayle Brown of the Strategic Initiatives and Planning Department of the Baptist State Convention spoke on the pillars that hold up Baptists: independence, interdependence, cooperation, and missions. He noted that of the 3900 churches in the BSC, a total of 26,257 new converts were baptized in the year 2000. He noted that ministries such as WMU or WOM, Baptist men, the medical/dental van and others could receive assistance from the BSC. Their goal for this year is $2.5 million.

Next our Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn introduced Dr. Johnny Ross of the Annuity Board to present this year's special report. Noting that oftentimes pastors are TOO OLD TOO SOON- TOO WISE TOO LATE, he spoke of the need for churches to enroll their pastors in the retirement plan. Dr. Ross noted that 59% of Baptist churches participate across North Carolina, with approximately 36% of churches in Ashe County participating. Dr. Ross encouraged all churches to prayerfully consider how they might participate in the plan.

Following this report, a congregational hymn "Redeemed" was led by Rev. Wayne Osborne. Mrs. Lynn Getty next provided uplifting special music including "So Much to Thank Him For" and "Just a Little Talk with Jesus".

The annual message and associational sermon was given by Rev. Lawrence Goodman of the Bald Mountain. Baptist Church on the topic of being co-laborers together with God with an emphasis on bringing the lost to Christ. He noted that the church must be involved with prayer ministry, the ministry of loving people , serve as ambassadors for Christ and offer the word of reconciliation to the lost. Rev. Goodman encouraged all to be burdened and to weep for the souls of men.

Following this message, Rev. Wayne Osborne led a blessing and the meeting was adjourned for the evening meal. A wonderful meal prepared by the ladies of Warrensville Baptist Church was served.

The meeting was reconvened by Brother Jerry Powers, Moderator for the evening session. Rev. Allen Huffman then led the congregation in prayer and presented scripture from James 1: 19. The highlight of the evening was special singing by the associational choir, led by Rev. Wayne Osborne. Everyone was uplifted by the powerful songs and the spirit was felt by all in attendance. Following the choir, Sister Anne Jones led the congregation in a hymn "We Have Come Into His House".

Rev. Tim Cearly, a Southern Baptist missionary for the International Mission Board presented a mission sermon. Rev. Cearly spoke of his mission work in Mozambique and incorporated scripture from Colossians 1: 28 and 29.

Following the sermon, Brother Ed Reed presented the benediction and the meeting was adjourned.

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
ONE HUNDRED FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION
GRASSY CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
Saturday Morning, August 18, 2001

The 115th annual session of the Ashe Baptist Association was called to order at 9:00 am by Moderator Rev. Kershaw Getty at the Grassy Creek Baptist Church. It was again noted that next years Saturday session would be hosted by Bald Mountain Baptist Church and that a host church for Friday session was needed.

A congregational hymn "Showers of Blessings" was led by Sister Terri Shatley, and accompanied by Rev. Wayne Osborne. Rev. Johnny Huffman, pastor of the Grassy Creek Baptist Church welcomed everyone and presented a devotion from John 3:13.

Associational Clerk, Sherry Severt presented the roll call of the churches with 102 present representing 35 churches. It was noted that attendance was very high for the Saturday session. Ms. Severt thanked everyone for the many prayers for her father, Brother Don Goodman who as unable to be present at the meeting and asked that he be continually remembered in prayer.

A history of Grassy Creek Baptist Church was presented by Mrs. Dixie Hart. Following this presentation, mission reports were given.

First Mrs. Pat Miller, Director of Ashe Really Cares reported on the great needs in our community and on the ARC's role in meeting those needs that they could meet including giving Bibles, food boxes, clothing and seeing to the spiritual needs of those that came to the Center. It was noted that food supplies from the Second Harvest Food Bank had been slow recently and that shelves were low at ARC. Food drives are needed and all

churches were thanked for their assistance and asked to continue their support of Ashe Really Cares.

Next, a report on medical missions was given by Sister Barb Rash on behalf of Dr. Greg Hershner. She spoke on revival and medical missons provided to the Blackfoot Indians at Browning Montana. In addition, the evangelistic team is working on missions for Honduras including supplies for the clinic there.

Mr. Hank Saralegui next spoke on the Hispanic Mission and presented information on the success of the mission here in the county. The mission has need for more space as the group continues to grow under the leadership of Rev. Jesus Padilla.

Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn gave his annual report to the association and began by thanking the association for the opportunity to serve. Rev. Blackburn asked all ministers in the association to stand and be recognized and thanked his wife, Linda Blackburn for her support as well as Trish Church, the associational office assistant. Rev. Blackburn recognized and thanked others in the association for their selfless work and noted that it was time to welcomes churches back into our association that had been lost. He noted that prayer breakfasts were held in every school in the county this year. DOM Blackburn concluded by asking for altar prayer to remember the lost in Ashe County, stating that we should not give up on the goal of reaching the lost in our area for Christ.

WMU (Women's Missionary Union) Director, Sister Francis Blevins presented her report on the upcoming motivational seminar for WMU to be held on Sept. 15th at Midway, featuring Joanne Foy as speaker. She encouraged all churches who do not currently have a WMU to start one and offered her assistance. Ms. Blevins concluded by asking us all to examine ourselves as to those blessings that we have and to ask ourselves, "What do I give back?"

The Brotherhood report was given by Director, Brother Fred Walters including information on the Disaster Relief/Recovery Training held in June at Bald Mountain Baptist Church. He noted that Baptist Men in North Carolina have three portable water plants and noted that our local Tim Church had worked with the convention to get these up and running. He thanked the folks at Warrensville Baptist Church for their work in the West Virginia project and concluded by asking that churches not similarly involved pray about their commitment to missions.

A report on the Highlands Community church was given by Rev. Steve Witherspoon, pastor. He noted that this church is intended to be different and to reach those not reached by other churches. He quoted from Matthew 22: 37 and asked for prayer that their work might continue as they seek to encourage all persons in the county to worship God.

Next, Sister Cindy Young spoke on the prayer ministry , asking that this ministry

be remembered in prayer. She thanked Sheriff Hartley and others for their support and noted that 8 women had been saved as a result of this ministry.

Following these reports, the Grassy Creek Choir presented special music including "The Crossing" and "Where Could I Go?". The annual message was brought by Rev. Jeff Vogler who spoke on the topic of "Seizing the Moment" with scripture from John 12. Next, a congregational hymn "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" was led by Rev. Wayne Osborne.

Next on the agenda were reports from local organization heads beginning with the Moderator's report by Rev. Kershaw Getty. Rev. Getty reported that he had enjoyed his tenure as moderator having gotten to know many of the association members and was appreciative of the support he had received. He does not plan to stay on as Moderator.

Filling in for Rev. Mark Davis, Rev. David Blackburn presented the Youth Report remarking that the committee was looking forward to many activities for the coming year.

Reporting for the Music Committee, Rev. Wayne Osborne stated that the associational choir will be available for fall revivals, and will be presenting a Christmas musical at four area churches. "An Evening with the McKamey's" is planned for October 12th to be held at Ashe County High School. Tickets will be $12 each and the event will be promoted on JOY FM. On behalf of the committee, Rev. Osborne thanked everyone for his or her prayers and support of this ministry.

Rev. Jim Ketner, Director of the Sunday School committee presented the report commenting that Sunday School can be an important tool for winning the lost. The key is to invite them in and Sunday School should be promoted as an integral part of that process.

Sister Vickie Young presented the Vacation Bible School report noting that area churches had very successful programs this year. She thanked everyone for his or her support and prayers.

Rev. David Blackburn, DOM reported that the Ashe Baptist Campground had been booked every weekend during the summer season with 61 church visits, 7 family reunions and 4 out-of-county groups utilizing the facilities. He thanked everyone for supporting the campground and especially those who had donated appliances: Thelma Duvall- refrigerator, Kyle & Linda Ball- dishwasher.

Brother Ed Paisley next presented a report for Gideons International on behalf of the Jefferson camp. He reported that 85 churches had hosted guest speakers during the year with $40,414 in church receipts, all of which goes directly to the purchase of Bibles. He noted that the Jefferson camp is the third largest in North Carolina in terms of giving and that one out of seventeen Bibles placed worldwide is purchased with funds from North Carolina. October 5th is to be the annual Pastor's Banquet with the church rally to

be held on October 7th with approximately thirty churches already scheduled to host Gideon speakers. He requested that each congregation prayerfully consider having a Gideon speaker at their church on the 7th or the alternate date of choice.

Brother Bob Neaves spoke on behalf of the Challenge 2000 project stating that the next meeting is to be held this Thursday at New River Baptist Church. He noted that the Mapping Center information continues to be available for church use in contacting and witnessing programs and noted that the program has been updated for the 2000 census. Brother Neaves asked that anyone interested consider working on one of the seven committees involved in the project and that teaching was in progress for "Sharing Jesus without Fear".

Ms. Vera Zapcic reported for the Ashe Pregnancy Care Center noting that many lives had been touched and that innocent children were being protected by the work of the center. She thanked the association for its support of the program.

Immediately following these reports, Sister Terri Shatley led the congregational hymn "Victory in Jesus" and an offering was collected for Challenge 2000, totaling $332.

The business session followed with the first item of business being the adoption of the annual budget of the association, which had been previously presented. There being no changes or corrections from the floor, the budget was approved as presented.

As to other business, Rev. Lawrence Goodman was recognized and thanked all the churches who had assisted with the prayer breakfasts, noting that these breakfasts were greatly appreciated by the school administrations. He noted that the dental bus was tentatively scheduled to be in the county on the third weekend of October for both Friday and Saturday. Everyone was encouraged to spread the word of this service. In addition, Rev. Goodman noted that despite many months of effort, the I-140 form for Rev. Jesus Padilla had not been received. He reported that a lawyer, specializing in immigration matters had been asked to assist with this process. He asked that the association pray for a successful resolution to this matter.

Further, it was discussed that at a previous annual meeting, a love offering had been taken for Jesus Padilla, Jr. earmarked for his educational expenses. Following changes in circumstance, it was requested that the funds be given to Jesus, JR. to be used to pay for citizenship fees. Motion was made to this effect by Duane Pollard, seconded by Rev. Jeff Vogler and the motion carried.

Next, the resolutions for this year (attached hereto including resolution regarding the lottery, resolution in support of missions and resolution acknowledging with gratitude the work of those involved in the association) were presented and were passed by affirmative voice vote.

A motion was made by Rev. Jerry Francis and seconded by Rev. Jeff Vogler that

the recommendations of the Time/Place/Preacher committee for next year's annual meeting to be held on Saturday at Bald Mountain Baptist Church be approved. The motion carried.

Rev. Bill Ballou next conducted the memorial service reading aloud the names of members of association churches who had passed away during the past year. The association met in prayer led by Rev. Jesus Padilla with the assistance of Jesus Padilla, JR as interpreter to honor those names read.

There being no further business before the association, a motion was made by Brother Jackie Blevins that the meeting adjourn. Motion was seconded by Rev. Jerry Francis and the meeting was adjourned. A delicious lunch followed, prepared by the ladies of Grassy Creek Baptist Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Goodman Severt
Associational Clerk

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1. We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three Persons in the God-head; the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.
2. We believe that the Bible, the Old and New Testament, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.
3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.
4. We believe that Salvation is by Grace through Faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.
5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.
6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.
7. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace and Glory.
8. We believe in a separate resurrection and judgment, both for the righteous, and unrighteous dead.
9. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, and on profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now, in the presence of God, angels and the assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into this covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness and comfort to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain worship, ordinances, discipleship and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church and the relief of the poor; and the spread of the Gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealing, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger, to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense but always ready for reconciliation; and mindful of the rule of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word

Addendum I - ARTICLES OF FAITH
(The Baptist Faith and Message as adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1963)

Baptists are a people who profess a living faith. This faith is rooted and grounded in Jesus Christ who is "the same yesterday and today and forever." Therefore the sole authority for faith and practice among Baptists is Jesus Christ whose will is revealed in the Holy Scriptures.

A living faith must experience a growing understanding of truth and must be continually interpreted and related to the needs of each new generation. Through out their history Baptist bodies, both large and small, have issued statements of faith, which comprise a consensus of their beliefs. Such statements have never been regarded as complete, infallible statements of faith, nor as official creeds carrying mandatory authority. Thus this generation of Southern Baptists is in historic succession of intent and purpose as it endeavors to state for its time and theological climate those articles of the Christian faith, which are most surely held among us.

Baptists emphasize the soul's competency before God, freedom in religion, and the priesthood of the believer. However, this emphasis should not be interpreted to mean that there is an absence of certain doctrines that Baptists believe, cherish, and with which they have been and are now closely identified.

It is the purpose of this statement of faith and message to set forth certain teachings, which we believe.

THE SCRIPTURES

The Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is the record of God's revelation of Himself to many. It is a perfect treasure of divine instruction. In has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter.

Ex. 24:4; Deut. 4:1-2; 17:19; Josh. 8:34; Psalm 19:7-10; 119: 11, 89; 105; 140. It reveals the principles by which God judges us; and therefore is, and will remain to the end of the world, the true center of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds, and religious opinions should be tried. The criterion by which the Bible is to be interpreted is Jesus Christ.

Isa. 34:16; 40:8; Jer. 15:16; 36; Matt. 5:17-18; 22-29; Luke 21:33, 44-46; John 5:39; 16:13-15; 17:17; Acts 2:16 ff; 17:11; Rom. 15:4; 16: 25-26; 2 Tim. 3:15-17; Heb. 1:1-2; 4:12; I Peter 1:25; 2 Peter 1:25; 2 Peter 1:19-21.

GOD

There is one and only one living and true God. He is an intelligent, spiritual, and personal Being, the Creator, Redeemer, Preserver, and Ruler of the Universe. God is infinite in holiness and all other perfections. To Him we owe the highest love, reverence, and obedience. The eternal God reveals Himself to us a Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, with distinct personal attributes, but without division of nature, essence, or being.

GOD THE FATHER

God as Father reigns with providential care over his universe, His creatures and the flow of the stream of human history according to the purpose of His grace. He is all powerful, all loving, and all wise, God is Father in truth to those who become children of God through faith in Jesus Christ. He is fatherly in His attitude toward all men.

Gen. 1:1, 2:7; Ex. 3:14, 6:2-3, 15:11ff, 20:1ff; Lev. 22:2; Deut. 6:4, 32:6; I Chron. 29:10; Psalm 19:1-3; Isa. 43:3, 15, 64:8; Jer. 10:10, 17:3; Matt. 6:9 ff, 7:11, 23:9, 28:19; Mark 1:9-11; John 4:24, 5:26, 14:6-13, 17:1-8; Acts 1:7; Rom. 8:14-15; I Cor. 8:6; Gal. 4:6; Eph. 4:6; Col. 1:15; I Tim. 1:17; Heb. 11:6, 12:9; I Peter 1:17; I John 5:7.

GOD THE SON

Christ is the eternal Son of God. In His incarnation as Jesus Christ he was conceived of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. Jesus perfectly revealed and did the will of God, taking upon Himself the demands and necessities of human nature and identifying Himself completely yet without sin. He was raised from the dead with a glorified body and appeared to His disciples as the person who was with them before His crucifixion. He ascended into Heaven and is now exalted at the right hand of God where he is the One Mediator, partaking of the nature of God and of man and whose Person is effected the reconciliation between God and man. He will return in power and glory to judge the world and to consummate His redemptive mission. He now dwells in all believers as the living and ever present Lord.

Gen. 18:1 ff; Psalm 2:7ff, 110:1ff; Isa. 7:14; 53; Matt. 1:18-23; 3:17, 8:29, 11:27, 14:33, 16:16, 27, 17:5, 27, 28: 1-6,19; Mark 1:1, 3:11; Luke 1:35, 4:41, 22:70, 24:46; John 1:1-18, 29, 10:30, 38, 11:25-27, 12:44-50, 14:7-11, 16:15-16, 28, 17:1-5, 21-22, 20:1-20, 28; Acts 1:9, 2:22-24, 7:55-56, 9:4-5, 20; Rom. 1:3-4, 3:23-26, 5:6-21, 8:1-3, 34, 10:4; I Cor. 1:30, 2:2, 8:6, 15:1-8, 24-28; 2 Cor. 5:19-21; Gal. 4:4-5; Eph. 1:20, 3:11, 4:7-10; Phil. 2:5-11; Col. 1:13-22, 2:9; I Thes. 4:14-18; I Tim. 2:5-6, 3:16; Titus 2:13-14; Heb. 1:1-3, 4:14-15, 7:14-28, 9:12-15, 24-24, 12:2, 13:8; I Peter 2:21-25, 3: 22; I John 1:7-9, 3:2, 4:14-15, 5:9; II John 7-9; Rev. 1:13-16, 5:9-14, 12:10-11, 13:8, 19: 16.

GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God. He inspired holy men of old to write the scriptures. Through illumination He enables men to understand truth. He exalts Christ. He convicts of sin, of righteousness and of judgment. He calls men to the Savior, and effects regeneration. He cultivates Christian character, comforts believers, and bestows the spiritual gifts by which they serve God through His church. He seals the believers unto the day of final redemption. His presence in the Christian is the assurance of God to bring the believers into the fullness of the stature of Christ. He enlightens and empowers the believer and the church in worship, evangelism, and service.

Gen. 1:2; Judges 14:6; Job 26:13; Psalm 51:11; 139:7ff; Isa. 61:1-3; Joel 2:28-32; Matt. 1:18, 3:16, 4:1, 12:28-32, 28:19; Mark 1:10, 12, Luke 1:35, 4:1, 18-19, 11:13, 12:12, 24-49; John 4:24, 14:16-17, 26, 15:26, 16:7-14; Acts 1:8, 2:1-4, 38, 4:31, 5:3, 6:3, 7:55, 8:17, 39, 10:44, 13:2, 15:28, 16:6, 19:1-6; Rom. 8:9-11, 14-16, 26-27; I Cor. 2:10-14, 3:16, 12:3-11; Gal. 4:6; Eph. 1:13-14, 4:30, 5:18; I Thes. 5:19; I Tim. 3:16, 4:1; 2 Tim. 1:14, 3:16; Heb. 9:8, 14; 2 Peter 1:21; I John 4:13, 5:6-7; Rev. 1: 10, 22:17.

MEN

Man was created by the special act of God, in his own image, and is the crowning work of His creation. In the beginning man was innocent of sin and was endowed by His Creator with freedom of choice. By his free choice man sinned against God and brought sin into the human race. Through the temptation of Satan man transgressed the command of God, and fell from his original innocence; whereby his posterity inherit a nature and an environment inclined toward sin, and as soon as they are capable of moral action become transgressors and are under condemnation. Only the grace of God can bring man into His holy fellowship and enable man to fulfill the creative purpose of God. The sacredness of human personality is evident in that God created man in His own image, and in that Christ died for man; therefore, every man possesses dignity and is worthy of respect and Christian love.

Gen. 1:26-30, 2:5,7, 18-22, 3:6-9; Psalm 1; 8:3-6, 32:1-5, 51:5; Isa. 6:5; Jer. 17:5; Matt. 16:26; Acts 17:26-31; Rom. 1:19, 32, 3:10-18, 23, 5:6, 12, 19, 6:6, 7:14-18; I Cor. 1:21-31, 15:19, 21-22; Eph. 2:1-22, 3:9-11.

SALVATION

Salvation involves the redemption of the whole man, and is offered freely to all who accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, who by His own blood obtained eternal redemption for the believer. In its broadest sense salvation includes regeneration, sanctification, and glorification.

A. Regeneration, or the new birth, is a work of God's grace whereby believers become new creatures in Christ Jesus. It is a change of heart wrought by thee Holy Spirit through conviction of sin, to which the sinner responds in repentance toward God, and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Repentance and faith are inseparable experiences of grace. Repentance is a genuine turning from sin toward God. Faith is the acceptance of Jesus Christ and commitment of the entire personality to Him as Lord and Savior. Justification is God's gracious and full acquittal upon principles of His righteousness of all sinners who repent and believe in Christ. Justification brings the believer into a relationship for peace and favor with God.

B. Sanctification is the experience, beginning in regeneration, by which the believer is set apart to God's purposes, and is enabled to progress toward moral and spiritual perfection through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit dwelling in him. Growth in grace should continue throughout the regenerate person's life.

C. Glorification is the culmination of salvation and is the final blessed and abiding state of the redeemed.

Gen. 3:15; Ex. 3:14-17, 6:2-8; Matt. 1:21, 4:17, 16:21-26, 27:22 to 28:6; Luke 1:68-69, 2: 28-32; John 1:11-14, 29, 3:3-21, 36, 5:24, 10:9, 28-29, 15:1-16, 17:17; Acts 2:21, 4:12, 15:11, 16:30-31, 17:30-31, 20:32; Rom. 1:16-19, 2:4, 3:23-25, 4:3ff, 5:8-10, 6:1-23, 8:1-18, 29-39, 10:9-10, 13, 13:11-14; I Cor. 1:18, 30, 6:19-20, 15:10; 2 Cor. 5:17-20; Gal. 2:20, 3:13, 5:22-25, 6:15; Eph. 1:7, 2:8-22, 4:11-16; Phil. 2:12-13; Col. 1:9-22, 3:1ff; I Thes. 5:23-24; 2 Tim. 1:12; Titus 2:11-14; Heb. 2:1-3, 5:8-9, 9:24-28, 11:1-12:8, 14; James 2:14-16; I Peter 1:2-23; I John 1:6 to 2:11; Rev. 3:21, 21:1 to 22:5.

GOD'S PURPOSE AND GRACE

Election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which He regenerates, sanctifies, and glorifies sinners. It is consistent with the free agency of man, and comprehends all the means in connection with the end. It is a glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, and is infinitely wise, holy, and unchangeable. It excludes boasting and promotes humility.

All true believers endure to the end. Those whom God has accepted in Christ, and sanctified by His Spirit, will never fall away from the state of grace, but shall persevere to the end. Believers may fall into sin through neglect and temptation, whereby they grieve the Spirit, impair their graces and comforts, bring reproach on the cause of Christ, and temporal judgments on themselves, yet they shall be kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

Gen. 12:1-3; Ex. 19:5-8; I Sam. 8:4-7, 19-22; Isa. 5:1-7; Jer. 31:31ff; Matt. 16:18-19, 21:28-45, 24:22, 31, 25:34; Luke 1:68-79, 2:29-32, 19:41-44, 24:44-48; John 1:12-14, 3:16, 5:24, 6:44-45, 65, 10:27-29, 15:16, 17:6, 12, 17-18; Acts 20:32; Rom. 5:9-10, 8:28-39, 10: 12-15, 11:5-7, 26-36; I Cor. 1:1-2, 15:24-28; Eph. 1:4-23, 2:1-10, 3:1-11; Col. 1:12-14; 2 Thes. 2:13-14; 2 Tim. 1:12, 2:10, 19; Heb. 11:39-12:2; I Peter 1:2-5, 13, 2:4-10; I John 1:7-9, 2:19, 3:2

THE CHURCH

A New Testament church of the Lord Jesus Christ is a local body of baptized believers who are associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the gospel, observing the two ordinances of Christ, committed to His teachings, exercising the gifts, and privileges invested in them by His word, and seeking to extend the gospel to the ends of the earth.

This church is an autonomous body, operating through democratic processes under the Lordship of Jesus Christ. In such a congregation members are equally responsible. Its Scriptural officers are pastors and deacons.

The New Testament speaks also of the church as the body of Christ, which includes all of the redeemed of all ages.

Matt. 16:15-19, 18:15-20; Acts 2:41-42, 47, 5:11-14, 6:3-6, 13:1-3, 14:23,27, 15:1-30, 16:5, 20:28; Rom. 1:7; I Cor. 1:2, 3:16, 5:4-5,7:17, 9:13-14; 12; Eph. 1:22-23, 2:19-22, 3:8-11, 21, 5:22-32; Phil. 1:1; Col. 1:18; I Tim. 3:1-15, 4:14; I Peter 5:1-4; Rev. 2-3, 21:2-3.

BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. It is an act of obedience, obedience whereby members of the church through partaking of the bread and the fruit of the vine, memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming. Symbolizing the believer's faith in a crucified and risen Savior the believer's death to sin, the burial of the old life, and in the resurrection to walk in newness of life in Christ Jesus. It is a testimony to his faith in the final resurrection of the dead. Being a church ordinance, it is prerequisite to the privilege of church membership and to the Lord's Supper.

BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S SUPPER (continued)

The Lord's Supper is a symbolic act of obedience whereby members of the church through partaking of the bread and the fruit of the vine, memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming.

Matt. 3:13-17, 26:26-30, 28:19-20; Mark 1:9-11, 14:22-26; Luke 3:21-22, 22:19-20, John 3:23; Acts 2:41-42, 8: 35-39, 16:30-33, 20:7; Rom. 6:3-5; I Cor. 10:16, 21, 11:23-29; Col. 2:12

THE LORD'S DAY

The first day of the week is the Lord's Day. It is a Christian institution for regular observance. It commemorates the resurrection of Christ from the dead and should be employed in exercises of worship and spiritual devotion, both public and private, and by refraining from worldly amusements, and resting from secular employment, work of necessity and mercy only being excepted.

Ex. 20:8-11; Matt. 12:1-12, 28:1 ff, Mark 2:27-28, 16:1-7; Luke 24:1-3, 33-36; John 4:21-24, 20:1, 19-28; Acts 20:7; I Cor. 16:1-2; Col. 2:16, 3:16; Rev. 1:10.

THE KINGDOM

The Kingdom of God includes both His general sovereignty over the universe and His particular kingship over men who willfully acknowledge Him as King. Particularly the Kingdom is the realm of salvation into which men enter by trustful, childlike, commitment to Jesus Christ. Christians ought to pray and to labor that the Kingdom may come and God's will be done on earth. The full consummation of the Kingdom awaits the return of Jesus Christ and the end of this age.

Gen. 1:1; Isa. 9:6-7; Jer. 23:5-6; Matt. 3:2, 4:8-10, 23, 12:25-28, 13:1-52, 25:31-46, 26:29; Mark 1:14-15, 9:1; Luke 4: 43, 8:1, 9:2, 12:31-32, 17:20-21, 23:42; John 3:3, 18-36; Acts 1:6-7, 17:22-31; Rom. 5:17, 8:19; I Cor. 15:24-28; Col. 1:13; Heb. 11:10,16, 12:28; I Peter 2:4-10, 4:13; Rev. 1:6,9, 5:10, 11:15, 21-22

LAST THINGS

God, in His own time and in His own way, will bring the world to its appropriate end. According to His promise, Jesus Christ will return personally and visibly in glory to the earth; the dead will be raised; and Christ will judge all men in righteousness. The unrighteous will be consigned to Hell, the place of everlasting punishment. The righteous in their resurrected and glorified bodies will receive their reward and will dwell forever in Heaven with the Lord.

Isa. 2:4, 11:9; Matt. 16:27, 18: 8-9, 19: 28, 24:27, 30, 36, 44, 25:31-46, 26:64; Mark 8:38, 9:43-48; Lk. 12:40, 48, 16:19-26, 17:22-37, 21:27-28; John 14:1-3; Acts 1:11, 17:31; Rom. 14:10; I Cor. 4:5, 15:24-28, 35-58; 2 Cor. 5:10: Phil. 3:20-21; Col. 1:5; 3:4; I Thes. 4:14-18, 5:1ff, 2 Thes. 1:7ff; 2; I, Tim. 6:14; 2 Tim. 4:1, 8; Titus 2:13; Heb. 9:27-28; James 5:8; 2 Peter 3:7ff, I John 2:28, 3:2; Jude 14; Rev. 1:18, 3:11, 20:1 to 22:13.

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EVANGELISM AND MISSIONS

It is the duty and privilege of every follower of Christ and of every church of the Lord Jesus Christ to endeavor to make disciples of all nations. The new birth of man's spirit by God's Holy Spirit means the birth of love for others. Missionary efforts on the part of all, rest upon a spiritual necessity of the regenerate life, and are expressly and repeatedly commanded in the teachings of Christ. It is the duty of every child of God to seek constantly to win the lost to Christ by personal effort and by all other methods in harmony with the gospel of Christ.

Gen. 12:1-3; Ex. 19:5-6; Isa. 6:1-8; Matt. 9:37-38, 10:5-15, 13:18-30, 37-43, 16:19, 22:9-10, 24:14, 28:18-20; Luke 10:1-18, 24:46-53; John 14:11-12, 15:7-8, 16, 17:15, 20:21; Acts 1:8; 2; 8:26-40, 10:42-48, 13:2-3; Rom. 10:13-15; Eph.3:1-11; I Thes. 1:8; 2 Tim. 4:5; Heb. 2:1-3, 11:39 to 12:2; I Peter 2:4-10; Rev. 22:17

EDUCATION

The cause of education in the Kingdom of Christ is coordinate with the causes of missions and general benevolence, and should receive along with these the liberal support of the churches. An adequate system of Christian schools is necessary to a complete spiritual program for Christ's people.

In Christian education there should be a proper balance between academic freedom and academic responsibility. Freedom in any orderly relationship of human life is always limited and never absolute. The freedom of a teacher on a Christian school, college, or seminary is limited by the preeminence of Jesus Christ, by the authoritative nature of the Scriptures, and by the distinct purpose for which the school exists.

Deut. 4:1, 5, 9, 14, 6:1-10, 31:12-13; Neh. 8:1-8; Job 28:28; Psalm 19:7 ff, 119:11; Prov. 3:13 ff, 4:1-10, 8:1-7, 11, 15:14; Ecc. 7:19; Matt. 5:2, 7:24 ff, 28:19-20; Luke 2:40; I Cor. 1:18-31; Eph. 4:11-16; Phil. 4:8; Col. 2:3, 8-9; I Tim. 1:3-7; 2 Tim. 2:15, 3:14-17; Heb. 5:12 to 6:3; James 1:5, 3:17

STEWARDSHIP

God is the source of all blessings, temporal and spiritual; all that we have and are we owe to Him. Christians have a spiritual debtorship to the whole world, a trusteeship in the gospel, and a binding stewardship in their possessions. They are therefore under obligation to serve Him with their time, talents, and material possessions; and should recognize all these as entrusted to them to use for the glory of God and for helping others. According to the Scriptures, Christians should contribute of their means cheerfully, regularly, systematically, proportionately, and Him. Christians have a spiritual debtorship to the whole world, a trusteeship in the gospel, and a binding stewardship in their possessions. They are therefore under obligation to serve Him with their time, talents, and material possessions; and should recognize all these as entrusted to them to use for the glory of God and for helping others. According to the Scriptures, Christians should contribute of their means cheerfully, regularly, systematically, proportionately, and liberally for the advancement of the Redeemer's cause on earth.

Gen. 14:20; Lev. 27:30-32; Deut. 8:18; Mal. 3:8-12; Matt. 6:1-4, 19-21, 23:23, 25:14-29; Luke 12:16-21, 42, 16:1-13; Acts 2:44-47, 5:1-11, 17:24-25; Rom. 6:6-22, 12:1-2; I Cor. 4:1-2, 6:19-20; 12; 16:1-4; 2 Cor. 8-9, 12:15; Phil. 4:10-19; I Peter 1:18-19

COOPERATION

Christ's people should, as occasion requires, organize such associations and conventions as may best secure cooperation for the great objects of the Kingdom of God. Such organizations have no authority over one another or over the churches. They are voluntary and advisory bodies designed to elicit, combine, and direct the energies of our people in the most effective manner. Members of New Testament churches should cooperate with one another in carrying forward the missionary, educational, and benevolent ministries for the extension of Christ's Kingdom. Christian unity in the New Testament sense is spiritual harmony and voluntary cooperation for common ends by various groups of Christ's people. Cooperation is desirable between the various Christian denominations, when the end to be attained is itself justified, and when such cooperation involves no violation of conscience or compromise of loyalty to Christ and His Word as revealed in the New Testament.

Ex. 17:12, 18:17 ff; Judges 7:21; Ezra 1:3-4, 2:68-69, 5:14-15; Neh. 4; 8: 1-5; Matt. 10: 5-15, 20:1-16, 22:1-10, 28:19-20; Mark 2:3; Luke 10:1 ff; Acts 1:13-14, 2:1 ff, 4: 31-37, 13:2-3, 15: 1-35; I Cor. 1:10-17, 3:5-15; 12; 2 Cor. 8-9; Gal. 1:6-10; Eph. 4:1-16; Phil. 1:15-18

THE CHRISTIAN AND THE SOCIAL ORDER

Every Christian is under obligation to seek to make the will of Christ supreme in his own life and in human society. Means and methods used for the improvement of society and the establishment of righteousness among men can be truly and permanently helpful only when they are rooted in the regeneration of the individual by the saving grace of God in Christ Jesus. The Christian should oppose in the Spirit of Christ every form of greed, selfishness, and vice. He should work to provide for the orphaned, the needy, the aged, the helpless and the sick. Every Christian should seek to bring industry, government, and society as a whole under he sway of the principles of righteousness, truth and brotherly love. In order to promote these ends Christians should be ready to work with all men of good will in any good cause always being careful to act in the spirit of love without compromising their loyalty to Christ and His truth.

Ex. 20:3-17; Lev. 6:2-5; Deut. 10:12, 27:17; Psalm 101:5; Micah 6:8; Zech. 8:16; Matt. 5:13-16, 43-48, 22:36-40, 25:35; Mark 1:29-34, 2:3 ff, 10:21; Luke 4:18-21, 10:27-37, 20-25; John 15:12, 17:15; Rom. 12-14; I Cor. 5:9-10, 6:1-7, 7:20-24, 10:23 to 11:1; Gal. 3:26-28; Eph. 6:5-9; Col. 3:12-17; I Thes. 3:12; Philemon; James 1:27, 2:8

PEACE AND WAR

It is the duty of Christians to seek peace with all men on principles of righteousness. In accordance with the spirit and teachings of Christ they should do all in their power to put an end to war. The true remedy for the war spirit is the gospel of our Lord. The supreme need of the world is the acceptance of His teachings in all the affairs of men and nations, and the practical application of His law of love.

Isa. 2:4; Matt. 5:9, 38-48, 6:33, 26:52; Luke 22:36, 38; Rom. 12:18-19, 13: 1-7, 14:19; Heb. 12:14; James 4:1-2

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

God alone is Lord of the conscience, and He has left it free from the doctrines and commandments of men which are contrary to His Word or not contained in it. Church and state should be separate. The state owes to every church protection and full freedom in the pursuit of its spiritual ends. In providing for such freedom no ecclesiastical group or denomination should be favored by the state more than others. Civil government being ordained of God, it is the duty of Christians to render loyal obedience thereto in all things not contrary to the revealed will of God. The church should not resort to the civil power to carry on its work. The Gospel of Christ contemplates spiritual means alone for the pursuit of its ends. The state has no right to impose penalties for religious opinions of any kind. The state has no right to impose taxes for the support of any form of religion. A free church in a free state is the Christian ideal, and this implies the right of free and unhindered access to God on the part of all men, and the right to form and prop-agate opinions in the sphere of religion without interference by the civil power.

Gen. 1:27, 2:7; Matt. 6:6-7, 24, 16:26, 22:21; John 8:36; Acts 4:19-20; Rom. 6:1-2, 13:1-7; Gal. 5:1, 13; Phil. 3:20; I Tim. 2:1-2; James 4:12; I Peter 2:12-17, 3:11-17, 4:12-19

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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
PREAMBLE

For the purpose of preserving, propagating, and making articulate the principles of our faith and to the end that this body of cooperating churches may be governed in an orderly manner, consistent with the accepted tenets of associations of Missionary Baptist Churches, for the purpose of preserving the liberties inherent in each individual church, and in order to set forth the relationship of this body to other Baptist bodies, we do adopt and establish this Constitution.

Article I - Name and Membership

Section 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Missionary Baptist Association.

Section 2. This Association shall consist of all Missionary Baptist Churches in Ashe County, and communities closely adjacent thereto, of like faith and practice, who wish to affiliate with this Association and are loyal to the faith and practice of the Missionary Baptist Denomination.

Section 3.The membership of this body shall be the pastor and three (3) messengers from each church. A letter certifying their appointment and giving the statistics of the membership and work of the church shall be sent to the Associational office at least twenty (20) days before the opening session of the annual meeting.

Section 4.Any church reported to be irregular in faith or practice may be investigated by order of the Association and such action taken, as may be decided by the Association.

Section 5.The Association shall be sole judge of its membership and may receive churches according to the Association's Constitution and By-Laws. Any church in the Association, which fails to cooperate with the Association for two consecutive years, shall be contacted by the Executive Committee to ascertain the wishes and desires of the church relative to its continuance in the Association. A Cooperating church should be defined as one which sends a report (church letter) to the annual session, is represented (by messengers) at the annual session, represented (by Executive Committee members) at the regularly scheduled Executive Committee meetings, contributes to the financial program of the Association, and is in general sympathy with the purposes of the Association. The Association recognizes that any affiliated church has the right to withdraw its fellowship from the Association.

Article II - Purpose

Section 1.The purpose of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches of the Association in devising and promoting measures and programs for the spread of the gospel in our bounds and in all the world, in compliance with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the Southern Baptist Convention.

Article III - Annual Church Letters
(Annual Church Profile)

Section 1.The churches shall report annually statistical and general information upon a printed form furnished by the Associational office. The printed form shall be furnished to the church at least six weeks before the convening of an annual session of the Association and returned to the Associational office at least twenty (20) days before the opening session of the annual meeting.

Article IV - Officers and their Duties

Section 1.The officers of this Association shall be Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Associational Missionary, and the heads of such organizations as are set up and approved by the Association. The offices of Clerk and Treasurer may be the same person, at the discretion of the body.

Section 2.It shall be the duty of the Moderator of the Association (Vice-Moderator in his absence or disability) to preside over the annual sessions and all special sessions, including the meetings of the Executive Committee. As the presiding officer, he shall open the meetings punctually at the appointed time, enforce the rules, preserve the order, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage. He shall name the committees and representatives of Institutions and agencies described in Sections 5, 6, and 8 of Article V of the Constitution at the opening of the annual session. He shall be elected for a one-year term, and he cannot succeed himself after the second consecutive term.

Section 3.The Clerk shall keep a correct record of all proceedings of the Executive committee meetings, annual meetings, and make such available to the body and the Associational Missionary for printing and distribution.

Section 4.The treasurer shall have charge of all Associational funds as the Association may direct and make a report of receipts and disbursements at each annual meeting.

Section 5. (1) The Associational Missionary shall be elected upon a recommendation of the Committee on Missions, and by a vote of the Association at a regular scheduled meeting. The relationship between the Association and its Associational Missionary may be terminated following a reasonable notice of not less than 30 days.

(2) The Associational Missionary shall promote the work and witness of the Association and denomination, cooperating with the churches, their pastors and officers and Associational committees and organizations.

A. He shall be responsible for planning, promoting and executing the ministry of the Association in cooperation with the Committee on Missions.
B. He shall make an annual report to the Association at the August meeting

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

C. He shall be ex-officio member of all committees of the Association, serving in an advisory and/or resource capacity.

D. He shall seek to visit each church in the Association in order to:

(1) Enrich Christian fellowship among churches.

(2) Encourage and strengthen the ministry of the churches.

(3) Enhance the cooperative relationship between the churches and the Association

E. He shall, when necessary, conduct surveys or inquiries, in order to determine specific needs for ministry with the area of the Association.

F. He shall, upon request, provide a list of qualified persons who may be considered by churches seeking pastors.

G. He shall have full administrative responsibility for all personnel employed by the Association.

H. **Strengthen Program Organizations**

(1) Promote evangelism and church growth through total church organizations. Provide needed helps to enable churches to become better equipped in areas of church ministry.

I. **Promote Missions**

(1) Encourage and lead in mission commitment of member churches utilizing Bold Mission Thrust Plans, by creating awareness to mission opportunities, new work, and by assisting in the development of church mission development programs, church extension, language missions, Christian social ministries, chaplaincy ministries, interfaith witness and special mission ministries.

(2) Give high priority to reaching the many unreached Hispanics through existing churches and in new work.

J. **Develop Leadership**

(1) Encourage and provide support for development and improvement in areas of church, ministry, dealing with crisis times, leadership, and supervision skills, etc. Approaches will include family ministry, seminary extensions, workshops and conferences for church secretaries, church clerks (Uniform Church Letter), non-salaried and salaried leaders, music workshops, pastors' retreats, and ethnic leadership development.

K. **Nurture Fellowship**

(1) Nurture fellowship among member churches.

(2) The Associational Missionary is entitled to two weeks vacation annually. Upon completion of five years service, the Associational Missionary shall be entitled to three weeks annual vacation, and after ten years, four weeks annual vacation. Vacation is to be taken within the calendar year, and it is not accumulative.

(3) Should there occur at any time a grievance on the part of the Association of the Associational Missionary, either party may consult with the Moderator and Chairman of the Missions Committee.

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

Section 6. The officers of the other organizations within the Association shall be nominated by their respective organizations and their names furnished, and presented to the Association for action at each annual session.

Section 7. The officers designated in Section 1, the Associational Missionary excepted, shall be elected at the morning session of the first day of the annual meeting and shall assume their duties at the close of the annual meeting, at which they are elected, and serve until the close of the next session.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties

Section 1.The committees of the Association shall be: Executive Committee, Committee on New Churches, Program Committee,
Committee on Place and Preacher, Resolutions Committee, Missions Committee, Nominating Committee, and such other committees as the Association may designate and name at any annual session. All committee members will serve for a period of three (3) years. Initially each committee will, with the consent of each member, designate which committee member will serve the three- (3) year, two (2) year, and one (1) year term. After the completion of a term, no member shall be eligible for re-election to the committee until after the lapse of one year.

Section 2. The Associational Executive Committee shall be composed of one lay member of all churches, the pastors of such churches, and the officers of the Association, as listed under Section 1 of Article IV. Twelve members of this committee shall constitute a quorum to transact business, after notice of such meeting has been mailed, or otherwise given to all members of the committee at least three days prior to the proposed meeting. Members of this committee shall be elected by the churches annually.

Section 3.The Committee on Organized Churches shall consist of the Moderator, ex officio, three pastors, and three lay-persons. This committee shall be responsible for receiving letters of application for membership into the Association by organized Missionary Baptist Churches. This committee's responsibility shall be to communicate to applying churches the requirements of a cooperating church, as herein defined in Article I, section 5, paragraph 2 of the Ashe Baptist Association Constitution. Applying churches, upon recommendation of this committee, shall, with approval of the messengers at the annual session, serve one year under watch care of the Association. This committee shall work with this church during this period and then make final recommendations at the next annual meeting.

Section 4.The Program Committee shall consist of five members who shall prepare an order of business for the annual meeting, including the designating of persons to make reports as to the various objects supported by the Churches of the Association. The Associational office shall prepare copies of the same for distribution to those attending the annual sessions of the Association.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

Section 5.The Committee on Place and Preacher shall consist of three members, who may be appointed by the Moderator, with consent of the Association. At each annual session, this Committee shall recommend to the Association a place, or places, for the holding of the annual meeting of the Association, and shall designate a minister to deliver the Associational sermon and an alternate.

Section 6.The Resolutions Committee shall consist of three members to be appointed by the Moderator. This Committee shall prepare and submit to the Association such resolutions, as it may consider pertinent and proper for the good of the body.

Section 7.The Nominating Committee shall name a Nominating Committee of five (5) members who shall bring to the second Executive Committee of the calendar year, (which is normally in April), for election of the following nominations: Clerk, Youth Director, Brotherhood Director, Discipleship Training Director, Evangelism Chairperson, Moderator, Music Director, Seminary Extension Director, Sunday School Director, and others who are invited to receive training at the Key Leadership Conference by the Baptist State Convention, (which is normally in May).

This Committee shall also present at the annual meeting for election all of the other committee members which are covered herein. Organizational heads will be named by their respective organizations and presented to the Nominating Committee at least two weeks before their nominations are presented to the Executive Committee at their second meeting, (which is normally in April).

If the organizations do not present their respective organizational heads two weeks prior to the April Executive Committee, then the Nominating Committee will select those needed and present their names to the second Executive Committee meeting (normally in April). The chairman of the Nominating Committee will contact these organizational heads before making these selections to be sure they have not already selected someone.

All other nominations shall be presented and elected on the first day of the annual meeting of the Association. All nominations at the Executive Committee meeting and the annual meeting are subject to additional nominations from the floor, and the expressed will of the Association.

Section 8.The Moderator is authorized and directed to appoint suitable persons at each session to prepare and present to the next session reports on the various subjects and causes customary to be presented and to notify such persons in due time before the meeting of the Association. (Refer to Article IV, Section 2.)

Section 9.The Board of Directors of the Ashe Baptist Summer Camp shall consist of nine members who shall initially be chosen three (3) for one year, three (3) for two years, and three (3) for three years.

Of the said members, three shall be active pastors in the Association. After the completion of one term, no member shall be eligible for re-election to this board until after the lapse of one year. No more than one member of this board shall be chosen from any one church of the Association. The treasurer of the Ashe Baptist Summer Camp, (who shall serve in addition to the nine member Board of Directors), shall be elected by the Board of Directors on an indefinite basis. He/she shall have voting privileges, as do other members.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to cooperate with the officials, pastors, and Executive Committee of the Association in promoting and advancing the development and operation of the camp; to supervise and direct the work of the camp; and to make a report to the Association at each annual meeting. Vacancies occurring in this organization shall be filled in accordance with the provision of Section 7 thereof.

Section 10. The Mission Committee shall consist of seven (7) members, five (5) of which shall be heads of the following organizations: Sunday School, Discipleship Training, Brotherhood, WMU and Church Music. The names of these five (5) shall be submitted to the Associational Nominating Committee by their respective organizations and voted on by the full body on the first day of the annual meeting. The other two (2) members shall be active pastors in the Association and they shall be named by the Associational Nominating Committee. They too shall be elected along with the organizational heads. Should any of the before mentioned organizations fail to submit the name of a person nominated by themselves to serve as head of that organization, then the Associational Nominating Committee shall be responsible for nominating that person.

These seven (7) people shall constitute the Associational Missionary Search Committee, when such a need arises. This Committee shall work with the Associational Missionary in promoting the work of the Association and lead and assist in determining need for beginning new missions stations and organizing new churches. The Moderator and Associational Missionary shall be ex officio members of this committee.

Section 11. The Ordination Committee shall consist of five (5) members, all of whom must be ordained ministers, meeting the qualifications as stated in I Timothy 3:1-7, and who are members of cooperating churches of the Ashe Baptist Association. The Chairman, at his discretion, may invite the pastor of a candidate to sit with the committee. Churches of the Association desiring to ordain a preacher to the Gospel ministry, and desiring to use the services of the Ordination Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association, shall use the following procedure.

1. The Church in conference shall vote to ask the Ordination Committee to examine the candidate and so notify the chairman.
2. The candidate shall meet the following conditions before ordination:
   (a) Hold membership in a cooperating Missionary Baptist church.
   (b) Shall have held a license to preach, issued by a cooperating Missionary Baptist Church for not less than six months.
3. The chairman shall set a suitable time and place, notifying the members, for the examination.
4. The candidate shall be examined as to his conversion, call to the ministry, doctrinal beliefs, and attitude toward our denomination and its programs.
5. The Committee Chairman shall notify the church of its recommendations and they may proceed with the ordination.

Section 12. The Evangelism Committee, composed of 5 members, shall promote the work of Evangelism in the churches and the Association in cooperation with the State Department of Evangelism. All plans and programs are to be subject to the approval of the Association, or its Executive Committee.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

Section 13. The Nominating Committee shall nominate a Committee on Constitution and By-Laws consisting of five members, of which the first named shall serve as chairman. It shall be the duty of this committee to receive, examine and make recommendations to the Association on all proposed amendments to the Constitution or the By-Laws.

Section 14. The Nominating Committee shall nominate a Properties Committee, which shall consist of three members, and shall have the responsibility of recommending the purchase of necessary property, and the construction of necessary buildings. This Committee shall recommend any repairs and improvements needed on Associational property beyond normal repair. All recommendations are subject to approval by the Executive Committee between sessions or the full-body session.

Section 15. The Committee on Finance, composed of five (5) members and the treasurer, shall study the Association's financial needs for an adequate program, prepare and present a budget to the Association for the following year, devise and develop plans for securing the cooperation of churches in providing funds to meet the budget. The treasurer will submit a complete financial report at the annual meeting in August.

Section 16. The Committee on Youth shall be composed of at least nine (9) members, three (3) of whom shall be ministers. The Chairman, also called "Youth Director," shall be selected from within their own ranks. The Committee shall be concerned with ways of relating youth to the churches of the Association and shall lead the Churches and Association to plan programs and activities that will meet their needs.

Section 17. The Seminary Extension Committee, composed of five (5) members, shall work with the chairman of the Committee to plan, promote and implement the offering of such courses of study as will meet the needs of pastors and lay-persons in the areas of Biblical studies, historical theology, Baptist life, church administration, Christian education, and pastoral training.

Section 18. There shall be five (5) trustees of the Association. They shall handle all legal matters of the Association under the direction of the said Association. Trustees shall be elected for an indefinite term and shall serve at the pleasure of the Association.

Section 19. The Associational Historian, in his/her sole discretion, shall collect facts of interest to the Association and the cooperating churches, and shall make a report to each annual session of the Association. In addition, he/she shall contact hosting churches of the annual meeting and request a brief history of each church for publication in the Book of Reports and the Associational Annual.

Article VI
Meetings and Reports

Section 1. The Association shall hold an annual meeting convening in the month of August of each year, at such time and place as may be designated or authorized by the previous session.

Section 2. Each organization within the Association shall make a written report to the Association at each annual meeting.

Section 3. A special session of the Association may be called by the Moderator with the approval of the Executive Committee.

Section 4. The Associational Executive Committee shall meet quarterly.

Article VII
Order of Religious Exercises

Section 1. At the annual meeting the Associational Sermon shall be delivered as herein before provided.

Section 2. In addition to the Associational Sermon, the Program Committee shall designate a minister to deliver at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while such sermons are being delivered. No sermon shall be scheduled so as to conflict or interfere with the business sessions of the Association or the presentation of reports to the Association.

Article VIII
Amendments

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present, and voting on the second day, provided that such amendment is presented in writing on the first day, or that notice of such amendment shall have been given during the previous annual session.

CHURCH STATISTICAL INFORMATION

2000/2001

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Important Note:
No Congregational Profile Reports were received from Big Laurel and Prosperity Churches. Only a "partial report" from Trinity.
Therefore, some of the data is excluded from these reports.

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association Congregation Summary 2000/2001

Legend: 3 --- Total Baptisms 4 -- Other Additions 1 -- Total Membership 15 -- Total SS Enrollment 16 -- SS Avg. Weekly Attendance 18 -- Vacation Bible Schoo
DTEN (19+20) -- Total DT Enrollment/Participation 21 -- Total Music Ministry Enrollment 23 -- Total WMU Enrollment 24 -- Total Brotherhood Enrollment
TRE --Total Receipts (26+27+28) 29 -- Total Cooperative Program 30 -- Total Assn. Missions TME -- Total Mission Expenditures (29-35)

CONGREGATION	C/M	3	4	1	15	16	18	DTEN	21	23	24	TRE	29	30	TME
Apple Grove	C	1	7	66	35	35	53	0	0	0	0	$11,000.00	$0.00	$100.00	$160.00
Bald Mountain	C	22	26	623	399	186	247	44	87	67	92	$389,588.00	$14,119.00	$5,200.00	$32,037.90
Beaver Creek	C	0	0	142	69	55	70	0	35	14	0	$37,308.35	$0.00	$1,448.60	$2,673.60
Big Flatts	C	1	4	105	50	28	37	0	38	0	0	$20,000.00	$160.00	$800.00	$2,100.00
Blue Ridge	C	2	0	51	21	20	22	0	15	0	0	$29,486.11	$0.00	$500.00	$1,050.00
Bristol	C	8	8	324	120	100	160	0	36	0	0	$102,297.41	$4,089.80	$3,690.94	$8,505.74
Buffalo, W. Jefferson	C	1	0	104	77	55	50	6	38	9	0	$37,315.00	$0.00	$600.00	$1,755.00
Calvary	C	0	0	63	34	22	60	17	18	8	0	$11,512.00	$100.00	$200.00	$896.00
Clifton	C	3	18	290	110	100	100	0	71	20	0	$93,405.27	$1,432.69	$1,432.69	$6,165.38
Cristo El Salvador	M	50	0	72	44	29	13	76	12	0	0	$8,420.69	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Farmers Memorial	C	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Fletcher Memorial	C	9	19	405	161	107	115	96	41	42	31	$207,921.00	$15,583.00	$11,021.00	$53,176.00
Friendly Grove	C	2	0	138	129	68	135	67	59	59	0	$104,189.00	$3,000.00	$3,000.00	$18,115.00
Friendship	C	7	0	427	186	110	168	111	74	70	67	$220,920.00	$31,450.00	$3,500.00	$50,185.00
Glendale Springs	C	9	4	199	147	87	110	0	73	0	12	$105,567.00	$420.00	$3,492.00	$11,799.00
Grassy Creek	C	0	3	141	42	31	43	0	17	0	0	$63,892.00	$2,779.00	$840.00	$7,790.00
Healing Springs	C	0	8	152	78	50	60	0	23	0	0	$35,529.76	$1,758.73	$1,532.18	$6,818.22
Highlands Community	M	0	0	20	51	0	0	20	0	13	0	$33,403.80	$650.00	$400.00	$3,319.00
Landmark Bapt	C	0	5	167	93	80	101	0	60	30	25	$94,328.00	$0.00	$1,600.00	$15,034.00
Laurel Knob	C	0	1	85	70	30	0	33	20	0	0	$65,677.00	$1,086.00	$1,980.00	$17,392.00
Liberty Grove	C	0	0	192	51	43	60	51	28	10	8	$69,000.00	$1,500.00	$2,000.00	$4,000.00
Little Helton	C	0	0	90	41	23	35	0	18	0	0	$13,441.87	$142.00	$0.00	$142.00
Midway	C	0	0	290	117	75	81	43	62	28	33	$103,462.00	$9,805.00	$1,250.00	$32,159.00
Mission Home	C	2	0	164	64	45	56	32	20	15	2	$61,743.00	$4,000.00	$1,475.00	$11,818.00
Mount Olive	C	5	2	77	80	70	43	0	0	0	0	$49,055.00	$350.00	$1,000.00	$2,055.00
New River	C	0	2	217	75	53	101	0	33	13	0	$67,783.00	$3,293.00	$1,802.00	$13,681.00
North Beaver	C	1	0	194	82	44	87	0	20	0	0	$39,000.00	$900.00	$1,800.00	$6,700.00
Oak Hill	C	0	1	147	40	27	34	0	27	0	0	$21,580.00	$0.00	$240.00	$3,100.00
Obids	C	2	0	57	42	35	50	0	20	0	0	$25,266.05	$60.00	$600.00	$2,137.63
Old Fields	C	5	3	107	74	47	57	39	12	15	8	$50,305.90	$8,975.33	$3,500.00	$24,311.13
Orion	C	0	2	162	70	45	0	0	16	13	0	$61,772.00	$3,122.00	$2,081.00	$10,570.00
Peak Valley	C	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$5,814.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Phoenix	C	2	0	158	83	53	105	25	28	10	20	$55,048.00	$1,242.00	$983.00	$4,825.00
Pilot Mountain	C	0	0	83	18	17	0	0	14	0	0	$5,931.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Pine Swamp	C	0	0	66	31	28	18	0	0	0	0	$19,857.00	$0.00	$150.00	$694.00
Pleasant Home	C	3	0	145	67	45	40	0	12	0	0	$42,418.00	$936.00	$2,545.00	$11,149.00
Pleasant Valley	C	0	0	68	15	7	0	0	12	0	0	$7,526.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Round Knob	C	4	1	138	86	38	50	44	24	0	0	$47,755.00	$1,851.00	$1,383.00	$5,790.00
Trinity	C	50	119	500	387	0	239	27	67	0	0	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Tuckerdale	C	5	1	184	116	74	97	0	16	0	0	$41,304.00	$750.00	$1,500.00	$5,424.00
Wagoner	C	0	0	86	27	18	19	0	7	0	0	$22,360.66	$77.31	$900.00	$6,029.31
Warrensville	C	5	6	344	189	94	117	0	79	10	20	$114,665.00	$1,800.00	$1,650.00	$31,621.00
Welcome Home	C	1	0	174	55	50	130	0	30	0	0	$42,815.13	$3,822.00	$1,828.10	$6,112.10
	Total:	200	240	7,256	3,726	2,124	2,963	731	1,262	446	318	$2,639,663.00	$119,253.86	$68,024.51	$421,290.01

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association Sunday School Enrollment Information 2000/2001

Legend 15 -- Total SS Enrollment 15a -- SS 0-5 15b -- SS 6-11 15c -- SS 12-17 15d -- SS 18-24 15e -- SS 25-34 15f -- SS 35-54 15g -- SS 55 up
15h -- SS General Officers 15i -- Other Bible Study 16 -- SS Avg Weekly Attendance 17 -- Non-Cong Members 18 -- Vacation Bible School

CONGREGATION	C/M	15	15a	15b	15c	15d	15e	15f	15g	15h	15i	16	17	18
Apple Grove	C	35	4	2	1	2	2	12	0	0	0	35	0	53
Bald Mountain	C	399	45	43	56	30	43	107	45	5	0	186	19	247
Beaver Creek	C	69	3	12	12	2	8	16	14	0	0	55	7	70
Big Flatts	C	50	6	8	0	0	10	8	5	3	0	28	6	37
Blue Ridge	C	21	0	0	3	0	0	4	0	1	0	20	0	22
Bristol	C	120	15	22	8	16	14	16	15	0	0	100	0	160
Buffalo, W. Jefferson	C	77	5	5	5	4	8	20	28	2	0	55	10	50
Calvary	C	34	0	3	3	0	1	9	6	3	0	22	3	60
Clifton	C	110	10	12	8	5	20	15	15	10	0	100	20	100
Cristo El Salvador	M	44	7	9	2	2	6	11	4	3	0	29	14	13
Farmers Memorial	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fletcher Memorial	C	161	13	13	20	5	18	28	23	4	0	107	15	115
Friendly Grove	C	129	18	24	7	2	7	6	5	5	20	68	0	135
Friendship	C	186	10	26	20	9	17	27	30	2	25	110	15	168
Glendale Springs	C	147	8	10	8	3	13	27	20	2	0	87	8	110
Grassy Creek	C	42	2	3	2	0	2	10	8	0	0	31	8	43
Healing Springs	C	78	6	8	6	0	17	0	19	2	20	50	1	60
Highlands Community	M	51	2	3	2	3	2	4	30	5	0	0	0	0
Landmark Bapt	C	93	8	5	11	10	12	22	10	3	0	80	0	101
Laurel Knob	C	70	6	6	2	5	14	15	10	8	0	30	0	0
Liberty Grove	C	51	7	2	2	4	8	16	6	2	0	43	0	60
Little Helton	C	41	2	4	3	0	6	3	6	4	0	23	0	35
Midway	C	117	8	11	20	4	11	16	10	2	25	75	6	81
Mission Home	C	64	2	0	12	3	7	18	4	2	0	45	0	56
Mount Olive	C	80	9	15	6	6	14	8	9	6	0	70	2	43
New River	C	75	8	10	12	5	6	8	10	2	0	53	2	101
North Beaver	C	82	2	2	7	9	2	9	19	0	25	44	0	87
Oak Hill	C	40	4	2	0	0	0	7	7	0	0	27	1	34
Obids	C	42	3	4	7	0	3	10	15	0	0	35	0	50
Old Fields	C	74	5	8	6	3	6	9	14	2	0	47	0	57
Orion	C	70	2	10	1	5	6	10	8	8	12	45	6	0
Peak Valley	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Phoenix	C	83	8	10	10	8	8	13	9	3	0	53	22	105
Pilot Mountain	C	18	2	0	3	0	2	4	2	0	0	17	0	0
Pine Swamp	C	31	2	2	2	0	0	8	11	1	0	28	3	18
Pleasant Home	C	67	6	5	5	0	7	20	11	6	0	45	3	40
Pleasant Valley	C	15	0	0	0	2	2	2	4	0	5	7	0	0
Round Knob	C	86	2	5	8	8	4	9	16	7	25	38	0	50
Trinity	C	387	8	29	100	100	100	30	20	0	0	0	0	239
Tuckerdale	C	116	8	11	6	5	6	16	10	3	35	74	5	97
Wagoner	C	27	2	1	0	0	3	4	2	7	0	18	2	19
Warrensville	C	189	13	33	20	11	18	51	21	4	0	94	53	117
Welcome Home	C	55	5	2	2	7	0	20	9	0	0	50	8	130
	Total:	**3,726**	**276**	**380**	**408**	**278**	**433**	**648**	**510**	**117**	**192**	**2,124**	**239**	**2,963**

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association Discipleship Training Information Summary 2000/2001

Legend: 19 -- Total Ongoing Discipleship Training 19a -- Ongoing Preschool B-5 19b -- Ongoing Child 6-11 19c -- Ongoing Youth 12-17 19d -- Ongoing Adult 18-up 19e -- DT Gen. Officers 20 -- Total Short-Term DT 20a -- Short-Term Preschool 20b -- Short-Term Children 20c -- Short-Term Youth 20d -- Short-Term Adults - Gen. Officers DTEN (19+20) -- Total DT Enrollment/Participation

CONGREGATION	C/M	19	19a	19b	19c	19d	19e	20	20a	20b	20c	20d	DTEN
Apple Grove	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bald Mountain	C	28	0	20	8	0	0	16	0	0	0	16	44
Beaver Creek	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Big Flatts	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blue Ridge	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bristol	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Buffalo, W. Jefferso	C	6	0	0	0	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
Calvary	C	17	0	3	4	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	17
Clifton	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cristo El Salvador	M	32	3	11	2	11	5	44	7	5	2	30	76
Farmers Memorial	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fletcher Memorial	C	96	0	10	13	70	3	0	0	0	0	0	96
Friendly Grove	C	67	12	18	10	20	7	0	0	0	0	0	67
Friendship	C	111	8	27	18	56	2	0	0	0	0	0	111
Glendale Springs	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grassy Creek	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Healing Springs	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Highlands Community	M	20	0	0	0	18	2	0	0	0	0	0	20
Landmark Bapt	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Laurel Knob	C	33	0	1	0	31	1	0	0	0	0	0	33
Liberty Grove	C	51	7	2	2	39	1	0	0	0	0	0	51
Little Helton	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Midway	C	43	2	4	13	26	1	0	0	0	0	0	43
Mission Home	C	32	0	1	12	18	1	0	0	0	0	0	32
Mount Olive	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New River	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Beaver	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oak Hill	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Obids	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Old Fields	C	39	3	3	3	28	2	0	0	0	0	0	39
Orion	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peak Valley	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Phoenix	C	25	1	4	6	12	2	0	0	0	0	0	25
Pilot Mountain	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pine Swamp	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pleasant Home	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pleasant Valley	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Round Knob	C	27	0	1	0	25	1	17	0	0	0	17	44
Trinity	C	27	4	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27
Tuckerdale	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wagoner	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Warrensville	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Welcome Home	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total:	**654**	**40**	**128**	**91**	**368**	**30**	**77**	**7**	**5**	**2**	**63**	**731**

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association General Financial Information 2000/2001

Legend: 26 – Undesignated Gifts 27 – Designated Gifts 28 – Other Receipts TRE -Total Receipts (26+27+28) 36 – Value Cong. Property 37 – Congregational Debt

CONGREGATION	C/M	26	27	28	TRE	36	37
Apple Grove	C	$11,000 00	$0.00	$0.00	$11,000.00	$33,000 00	$0 00
Bald Mountain	C	$240,188.00	$149,400.00	$0.00	$389,588.00	$2,500,000 00	$0 00
Beaver Creek	C	$37,308.35	$0 00	$0.00	$37,308.35	$200,000.00	$0 00
Big Flatts	C	$14,500 00	$5,500.00	$0.00	$20,000.00	$209,500 00	$0 00
Blue Ridge	C	$29,486.11	$0 00	$0.00	$29,486.11	$150,000 00	$0.00
Bristol	C	$92,273.52	$9,166.98	$356 91	$102,297.41	$150,000 00	$0.00
Buffalo, W. Jefferson	C	$34,949.00	$2,366.00	$0.00	$37,315.00	$230,000.00	$0.00
Calvary	C	$11,512.00	$0.00	$0.00	$11,512.00	$245,000.00	$0.00
Clifton	C	$63,754.11	$29,651.16	$0 00	$93,405 27	$350,000 00	$0 00
Cristo El Salvador	M	$3,411.29	$5,009.40	$0.00	$8,420.69	$0 00	$0.00
Farmers Memorial	C	$0.00	$0 00	$0.00	$0.00	$0 00	$0 00
Fletcher Memorial	C	$183,677.00	$20,472.00	$3,772.00	$207,921.00	$1,120,884.00	$0 00
Friendly Grove	C	$87,923.00	$16,266 00	$0 00	$104,189.00	$900,000 00	$14,000.00
Friendship	C	$215,320.00	$4,500.00	$1,100.00	$220,920 00	$698,700.00	$0.00
Glendale Springs	C	$98,629.00	$6,938.00	$0.00	$105,567.00	$500,000 00	$0 00
Grassy Creek	C	$49,226.00	$13,851.00	$815 00	$63,892.00	$375,000 00	$49,000 00
Healing Springs	C	$30,643.76	$2,094.00	$2,792 00	$35,529.76	$150,000.00	$0.00
Highlands Community	M	$33,403 80	$0.00	$0.00	$33,403.80	$0.00	$0 00
Landmark Bapt	C	$50,969.00	$42,226.00	$1,133.00	$94,328.00	$445,000 00	$51,295 00
Laurel Knob	C	$56,612.00	$8,102.00	$963.00	$65,677.00	$300,000.00	$0 00
Liberty Grove	C	$68,000.00	$1,000.00	$0 00	$69,000 00	$396,550.00	$0 00
Little Helton	C	$13,278 87	$163.00	$0.00	$13,441.87	$69,855 00	$0 00
Midway	C	$98,049 00	$2,438.00	$2,975.00	$103,462.00	$650,000.00	$0 00
Mission Home	C	$61,743.00	$0 00	$0.00	$61,743.00	$85,600.00	$0 00
Mount Olive	C	$47,000.00	$2,055.00	$0.00	$49,055.00	$120,000.00	$0 00
New River	C	$65,854.00	$1,625.00	$304.00	$67,783.00	$250,000.00	$0 00
North Beaver	C	$33,000.00	$6,000.00	$0.00	$39,000.00	$325,000 00	$0.00
Oak Hill	C	$16,455.00	$5,125.00	$0 00	$21,580.00	$160,000.00	$0.00
Obids	C	$25,266.05	$0.00	$0 00	$25,266.05	$105,000.00	$0.00
Old Fields	C	$41,110.90	$9,050 30	$144.70	$50,305.90	$224,000.00	$0.00
Orion	C	$51,409.00	$9,629.00	$734.00	$61,772.00	$300,000.00	$0.00
Peak Valley	C	$5,814.00	$0.00	$0.00	$5,814.00	$26,400 00	$0 00
Phoenix	C	$55,048 00	$0.00	$0 00	$55,048.00	$300,000.00	$0 00
Pilot Mountain	C	$5,767.00	$164.00	$0 00	$5,931 00	$271,400.00	$0 00
Pine Swamp	C	$17,924.00	$1,933.00	$0 00	$19,857.00	$180,000.00	$0 00
Pleasant Home	C	$32,169.00	$10,249.00	$0.00	$42,418 00	$200,000.00	$0.00
Pleasant Valley	C	$7,077.00	$449.00	$0 00	$7,526.00	$30,000.00	$0 00
Round Knob	C	$47,755.00	$0 00	$0 00	$47,755.00	$140,000.00	$0.00
Trinity	C	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$250,000.00	$0.00
Tuckerdale	C	$37,739 00	$3,565.00	$0.00	$41,304.00	$575,000.00	$0 00
Wagoner	C	$20,581.14	$1,779.52	$0 00	$22,360.66	$160,000.00	$0.00
Warrensville	C	$91,255.00	$22,885 00	$525 00	$114,665.00	$571,441.00	$90,000 00
Welcome Home	C	$39,140.13	$2,675.00	$1,000.00	$42,815.13	$1,977,000.00	$0.00
	Total:	**$2,226,221.03**	**$396,327.36**	**$17,114.61**	**$2,639,663.00**	**$15,924,330.00**	**$204,295.00**

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association Missions Financial Information 2000/2001

Legend: 29 -- Cooperative Programs 30 -- Assoc. Missions 31 -- State Missions 32 -- Annie Armstrong 33 -- Lottie Moon 34-- Other SBC Miss. Exp. 35 -- Non-SBC Miss. Exp. TME -- Total Mission Expenditures (29-35)

CONGREGATION	C/M	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	TME
Apple Grove	C	$0 00	$100.00	$20 00	$20.00	$20.00	$0.00	$0.00	$160 00
Bald Mountain	C	$14,119.00	$5,200.00	$928.65	$2,949.75	$2,339.50	$0.00	$6,501.00	$32,037.90
Beaver Creek	C	$0 00	$1,448.60	$0 00	$100 00	$100.00	$825.00	$200.00	$2,673.60
Big Flatts	C	$160.00	$800.00	$0 00	$140 00	$500 00	$0.00	$500.00	$2,100.00
Blue Ridge	C	$0.00	$500.00	$0.00	$0 00	$550.00	$0.00	$0.00	$1,050.00
Bristol	C	$4,089.80	$3,690.94	$0 00	$0 00	$675.00	$50.00	$0.00	$8,505.74
Buffalo, W. Jefferson	C	$0.00	$600.00	$0 00	$400 00	$600 00	$155.00	$0.00	$1,755.00
Calvary	C	$100.00	$200.00	$0 00	$281 00	$315 00	$0.00	$0.00	$896.00
Clifton	C	$1,432.69	$1,432 69	$1,100 00	$300 00	$600 00	$250.00	$1,050.00	$6,165.38
Cristo El Salvador	M	$0.00	$0.00	$0 00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Farmers Memorial	C	$0.00	$0.00	$0 00	$0.00	$0 00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Fletcher Memorial	C	$15,583 00	$11,021.00	$0 00	$3,328.00	$4,286 00	$2,082 00	$16,876.00	$53,176.00
Friendly Grove	C	$3,000 00	$3,000.00	$1,800 00	$1,978 00	$3,138 00	$1,250.00	$3,949.00	$18,115.00
Friendship	C	$31,450.00	$3,500.00	$900 00	$3,725 00	$4,210.00	$2,800.00	$3,600.00	$50,185.00
Glendale Springs	C	$420 00	$3,492.00	$100 00	$773.00	$600.00	$300.00	$6,114.00	$11,799.00
Grassy Creek	C	$2,779 00	$840 00	$200 00	$275.00	$275.00	$0 00	$3,421.00	$7,790.00
Healing Springs	C	$1,758.73	$1,532.18	$919 31	$206 00	$252.00	$0.00	$2,150.00	$6,818 22
Highlands Community	M	$650.00	$400 00	$0 00	$250.00	$0.00	$2,019.00	$0.00	$3,319.00
Landmark Bapt	C	$0.00	$1,600 00	$0 00	$1,054 00	$1,680 00	$600.00	$10,100.00	$15,034.00
Laurel Knob	C	$1,086 00	$1,980 00	$967 00	$0 00	$9,042.00	$0.00	$4,317.00	$17,392.00
Liberty Grove	C	$1,500 00	$2,000.00	$0 00	$0 00	$500 00	$0 00	$0.00	$4,000.00
Little Helton	C	$142.00	$0 00	$0 00	$0.00	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00	$142.00
Midway	C	$9,805 00	$1,250.00	$3,386 00	$1,773 00	$3,124 00	$1,596 00	$11,225.00	$32,159.00
Mission Home	C	$4,000 00	$1,475.00	$0 00	$1,045 00	$1,456 00	$245.00	$3,597.00	$11,818.00
Mount Olive	C	$350.00	$1,000.00	$200 00	$155.00	$350.00	$0 00	$0.00	$2,055.00
New River	C	$3,293.00	$1,802.00	$557 00	$0 00	$110 00	$2,968 00	$4,951.00	$13,681.00
North Beaver	C	$900.00	$1,800.00	$0 00	$0 00	$300 00	$0.00	$3,700.00	$6,700.00
Oak Hill	C	$0 00	$240.00	$0 00	$0 00	$655 00	$240.00	$1,965.00	$3,100.00
Obids	C	$60 00	$600.00	$540 00	$0 00	$300 00	$637 63	$0.00	$2,137.63
Old Fields	C	$8,975 33	$3,500.00	$438 00	$1,594 34	$1,938.72	$304.27	$7,560.47	$24,311.13
Orion	C	$3,122 00	$2,081 00	$651.00	$1,593 00	$1,216 00	$526 00	$1,381.00	$10,570 00
Peak Valley	C	$0 00	$0.00	$0.00	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00	$0.00	$0 00
Phoenix	C	$1,242 00	$983.00	$0.00	$565 00	$435 00	$0 00	$1,600 00	$4,825 00
Pilot Mountain	C	$0 00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0 00	$0 00	$0.00	$0.00
Pine Swamp	C	$0.00	$150 00	$200.00	$50 00	$50 00	$0 00	$244.00	$694 00
Pleasant Home	C	$936 00	$2,545.00	$927.00	$549.00	$1,000 00	$2,000 00	$3,192.00	$11,149 00
Pleasant Valley	C	$0 00	$0.00	$0.00	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00	$0.00
Round Knob	C	$1,851.00	$1,383.00	$1,583.00	$0 00	$973 00	$0.00	$0.00	$5,790 00
Trinity	C	$0 00	$0.00	$0.00	$0 00	$0 00	$0.00	$0 00	$0.00
Tuckerdale	C	$750 00	$1,500.00	$0.00	$0 00	$500 00	$1,100 00	$1,574.00	$5,424 00
Wagoner	C	$77 31	$900 00	$500.00	$300 00	$500.00	$1,752 00	$2,000 00	$6,029.31
Warrensville	C	$1,800.00	$1,650 00	$1,330.00	$972 00	$362.00	$0.00	$25,507.00	$31,621 00
Welcome Home	C	$3,822.00	$1,828 10	$0.00	$236 00	$226 00	$0 00	$0.00	$6,112 10
	Total:	**$119,253.86**	**$68,024.51**	**$17,246.96**	**$24,612.09**	**$43,178.22**	**$21,699.90**	**$127,274.47**	**$421,290.01**

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association Congregation and Member Information Summary 2000/2001

Legend: 1 -- Total Membership 2 -- Resident Membership 4 -- Other Additions 5 - New Member Training 6 -- Year Organized 7 -- Year Pastor Came 8-- Location (A-J)
9 -- AM Worship Att 10 -- Church-Type Missions Started 11 -- Church-Type Missions Operating 12 -- Lost Unchurched 13 -- Assoc. Mis on % Basis 14-- Intercessory Prayer

CONGREGATION	C/M	1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Apple Grove	C	66	58	7	0	1889	1986	A	42	0	0	N	N	N
Bald Mountain	C	623	552	26	15	1810	1991	A	325	0	0	Y	N	Y
Beaver Creek	C	142	101	0	0	1890	1990	A	70	0	0	N	Y	N
Big Flatts	C	105	73	4	0	1905	1995	A	28	0	0	N	N	Y
Blue Ridge	C	51	40	0	0	1887	2000	A	38	0	0	Y	N	N
Bristol	C	324	300	8	7	1883	1973	B	180	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Buffalo, W. Jefferson	C	104	92	0	0	1869	1997	A	60	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Calvary	C	63	50	0	0	1960	1995	C	38	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Clifton	C	290	235	18	0	1891	1995	A	140	0	0	Y	Y	N
Cristo El Salvador	M	72	22	0	17	1998	1997	C	37	2	2	Y	N	Y
Farmers Memorial	C	20	0	0	0	1943	2001	A	12	0	0	N	N	N
Fletcher Memorial	C	405	363	19	0	1953	1999	C	195	0	0	Y	N	Y
Friendly Grove	C	138	130	0	0	1945	1999	C	120	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Friendship	C	427	383	0	0	1880	2000	A	190	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Glendale Springs	C	199	135	4	0	1914	1992	A	110	0	0	N	Y	Y
Grassy Creek	C	141	82	3	0	1929	1997	A	45	0	0	N	Y	N
Healing Springs	C	152	72	8	0	1884	2001	A	60	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Highlands Community	M	20	20	0	8	1998	1998	A	35	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Landmark Bapt	C	167	146	5	0	1856	1998	A	120	0	4	Y	N	N
Laurel Knob	C	85	0	1	0	1912	1984	A	55	0	0	N	N	N
Liberty Grove	C	192	66	0	0	1915	1999	A	56	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Little Helton	C	90	40	0	0	1923	2000	A	32	0	0	Y	N	Y
Midway	C	290	232	0	0	1954	blank	C	100	0	0	Y	N	Y
Mission Home	C	164	133	0	0	1892	blank	A	79	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Mount Olive	C	77	69	2	0	1941	1996	A	70	0	0	Y	Y	Y
New River	C	217	118	2	0	1885	2000	A	65	0	0	Y	Y	N
North Beaver	C	194	150	0	0	1943	2001	A	100	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Oak Hill	C	147	115	1	0	1927	2001	A	30	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Obids	C	57	47	0	0	1892	1995	A	40	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Old Fields	C	107	83	3	2	1803	1995	A	60	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Orion	C	162	70	2	0	1911	1996	A	65	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Peak Valley	C	19	15	0	0	1892	blank	A	25	0	0	N	N	N
Phoenix	C	158	133	0	0	1908	blank	A	55	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Pilot Mountain	C	83	83	0	0	1886	1998	A	22	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Pine Swamp	C	66	44	0	0	1948	1998	A	40	0	0	N	N	N
Pleasant Home	C	145	67	0	0	1870	1996	A	50	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Pleasant Valley	C	68	29	0	0	1929	1999	A	26	0	0	Y	N	N
Round Knob	C	138	98	1	0	1940	1999	A	40	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Trinity	C	500	463	119	0	1975	blank	B	0	0	0	N	N	N
Tuckerdale	C	184	153	1	0	1915	1997	A	76	0	0	N	N	Y
Wagoner	C	86	25	0	0	1949	1998	A	18	0	0	N	Y	N
Warrensville	C	344	279	6	0	1870	1996	A	220	1	8	Y	N	Y
Welcome Home	C	174	174	0	0	1933	1999	A	125	0	0	Y	Y	Y
	Total:	**7,256**	**5,540**	**240**	**49**				**3,294**	**3**	**14**			

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association Music Ministries Information 2000/2001

Legend: 21 -- Total Music Ministry Enrollment 21a -- Preschool 3-5 21b -- Children 6-11
21c--Youth 12-17 21d -- Adult Choir 18-up 21e -- Other Music Groups

CONGREGATION	C/M	21	21a	21b	21c	21d	21e
Apple Grove	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bald Mountain	C	87	12	8	15	40	12
Beaver Creek	C	35	2	3	10	20	0
Big Flatts	C	38	3	5	0	27	3
Blue Ridge	C	15	0	0	3	12	0
Bristol	C	36	0	2	3	28	3
Buffalo, W. Jefferson	C	38	2	2	2	24	8
Calvary	C	18	0	1	3	14	0
Clifton	C	71	2	4	5	40	20
Cristo El Salvador	M	12	0	0	0	7	5
Farmers Memorial	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fletcher Memorial	C	41	0	0	0	35	6
Friendly Grove	C	59	6	20	10	18	5
Friendship	C	74	6	20	9	30	9
Glendale Springs	C	73	6	4	2	49	12
Grassy Creek	C	17	2	1	1	13	0
Healing Springs	C	23	0	1	0	20	2
Highlands Community	M	0	0	0	0	0	0
Landmark Bapt	C	60	8	10	10	21	11
Laurel Knob	C	20	2	1	0	17	0
Liberty Grove	C	28	3	2	2	21	0
Little Helton	C	18	1	0	2	15	0
Midway	C	62	0	12	14	21	15
Mission Home	C	20	0	0	1	19	0
Mount Olive	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
New River	C	33	0	5	8	14	6
North Beaver	C	20	0	0	2	17	1
Oak Hill	C	27	4	1	0	22	0
Obids	C	20	0	3	2	15	0
Old Fields	C	12	0	0	0	12	0
Orion	C	16	0	0	2	14	0
Peak Valley	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Phoenix	C	28	0	0	4	21	3
Pilot Mountain	C	14	0	0	2	12	0
Pine Swamp	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pleasant Home	C	12	0	0	0	12	0
Pleasant Valley	C	12	0	0	0	8	4
Round Knob	C	24	0	3	4	17	0
Trinity	C	67	0	22	15	30	0
Tuckerdale	C	16	0	0	0	0	16
Wagoner	C	7	0	0	0	7	0
Warrensville	C	79	0	9	7	42	21
Welcome Home	C	30	0	0	0	30	0
	Total:	1,262	59	139	138	764	162

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

One Hundred Sixteenth
Annual Session

"Helping Forgotten People"

"Changing the World for the Better"

"And I will walk among you and will be your God and you shall be my people"

Leviticus 26:12

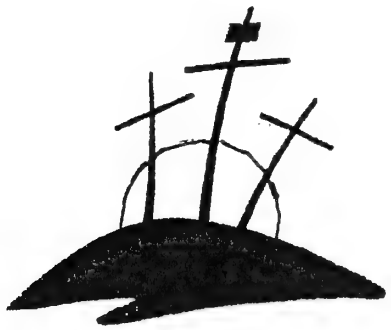
"It's still Jesus that makes the difference!"

Friday, August 16, 2002
Hosted by
Friendship Baptist Church

Saturday, August 17, 2002
Hosted by
Bald Mountain Baptist Church

ONE HUNDRED SIXTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association



Meeting on Friday, August 16, 2001
Host Church, Friendship Baptist Church

Meeting on Saturday, August 17, 2001
Host Church, Bald Mountain Baptist Church

A Special Thanks
Rev. David Blackburn, Director of Missions
and Mrs. Trish Church, Office Assistant
would like to thank all the volunteers who
made this minute book possible.

God bless you all!

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ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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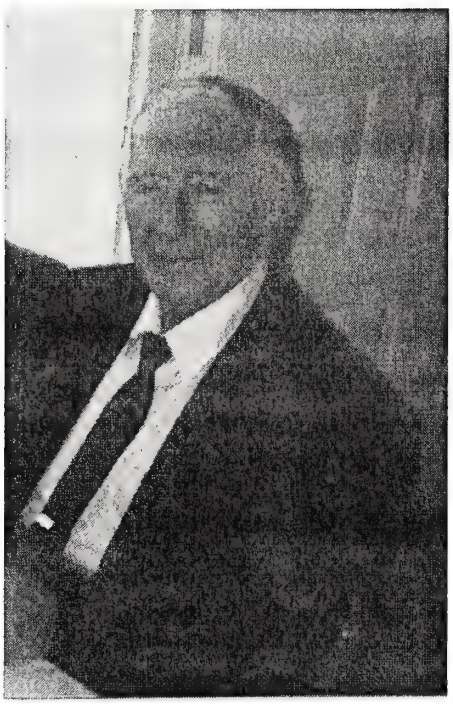
REV. DAVID JONES	ANNUAL MEETING MESSAGE

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The 2001/2002 Minute Book for the Ashe Baptist Association is dedicated

In Honor/Memory of
Mr. Howard Linney Blackburn



Mr. Howard Linney Blackburn was born August 26, 1914 to Lawrence Decatur and Highly Caroline Calloway (Callie) Blackburn in Idlewild, North Carolina. He married Annie Fay Hartzog in 1933 and they raised two sons Howard Dean and Thomas Charles Blackburn. He is Grandfather to Ronald Dean and Phillip Owen Blackburn and Great Grandfather to Heather Anne, Kristian Owen, Dylan Evan, and Chad Edward Blackburn.

Howard worked in helping to build the Blue Ridge Parkway and loves to ride on it and talk about his experiences during that time. He went to Baltimore, Maryland and worked in the Glenn L. Martin Airplane Factory during World War II. After the war was over he moved his family back to Ashe County. He worked for a time at G.P. Chevrolet, as a mechanic and then built his own garage and store on the Idlewild Road. He operated the garage until his health no longer permitted him to crawl under vehicles. The store closed in June of 2002.

Howard has been a member of the Pine Swamp Baptist Church for over 50 years. He and Annie united with Pine Swamp Baptist Church on June 1, 1952. He was elected Sunday School Superintendent on July 5, 1958 and served in that capacity for about 10 years. He ordained as a Deacon by Pine Swamp Baptist Church on June 23, 1962. He taught the Boys Sunday School Class. He also served as janitor and has done many other good deeds for the church. He has been and continues to be a good and faithful member. Howard is a very humble man and always says he hasn't done any more than any other man. He always gives God credit for his life. Although his health has not permitted him to attend church very much in the past year, he is always interested in the church and the progress in rebuilding Pine Swamp Baptist Church. It was sad for him to see the old building torn down as he had attended services there since he was a young school boy and it was a Methodist Church. Howard has been a good friend to Pine Swamp Baptist Church and the Idlewild Community.

Note:
During the printing of the minute books Mr. Howard Blackburn passed away on October 4, 2002. Mr. Blackburn will be sorely missed by those who knew and loved him!

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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In Memory of
Mr. Donald Mangum Goodman

A small blonde-headed boy named Don began his church life peering over the pew at a small blonde-headed girl named Chris, who later became his wife of forty-seven years. This romance began in the West Jefferson First Baptist Church where Don gave his life to Christ at an early age.

After marriage and two daughters Don joined the Midway Baptist Church in 1966 where he remained a faithful member until the Lord called him home in January 2002. During this time he served as Church Custodian, Sunday School Teacher, Brotherhood President, Choir Director, Chairman of Deacons, and sang in a church quartet.

Don was also a very devoted member of the Jefferson Camp of Gideons International for many years. During his illness, Don was proud to have received his lifetime membership card. He held every office in this organization and spoke in over 100 churches in Ashe and surrounding counties.

Don served his fellow man in small ways, such as always stopping to help a stranded motorist, paying his neighbors bills when they fell on hard times, providing transportation for people who traveled to other cities for kidney dialysis and hauling wood to a beloved former pastor who was ill.

His later years were spent providing loving care for his aging parents until their deaths.
Don was not a famous man but he was a great man; a humble man who truly lived up to the name of "Good Man."

Don is sadly missed by his family and his many friends!

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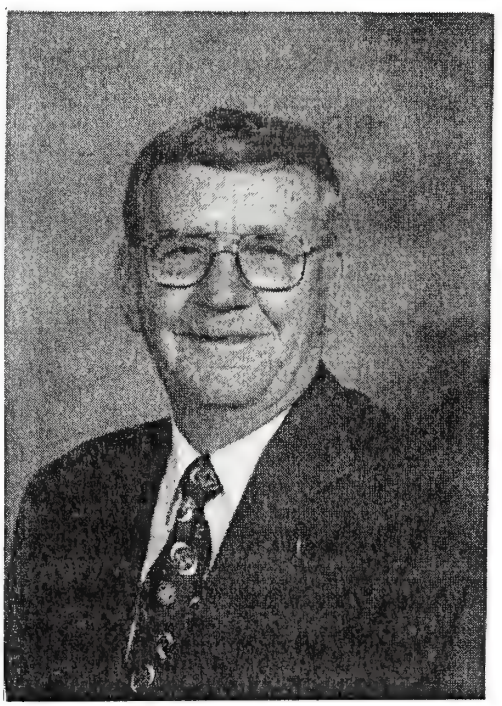
Mr. James Raymond Vannoy



Mr. James Raymond Vannoy, better known as Jim, was born the son of Will and Ella May Vannoy on February 24, 1919. He was married to Wilma Witherspoon Vannoy on September 11, 1946. Together they were blessed with three sons. Eddie, Mark, and Tim and one daughter, Christine who preceded them in death in 1959.

Jim spent four years serving his country with honor during World War II. He saw action in North Africa, Sicily, and Italy under the General Mark Clark.

Early in his life, Jim professed faith in Christ and joined the Bethel Baptist Church. In 1953, Jim moved his membership to Friendship Baptist Church where he served his Lord as deacon beginning in 1974. He also served as chairman of the Board of Trustee's for the Ashe Baptist Association for several years.

On March 31, 2002, Jim went home to be with his Lord. Although Jim is sorely missed by his family and friends his memory will live on in the hearts of those who loved him forever!

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FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH
A BRIEF HISTORY

Friendship Baptist Church was organized on August 11, 1880, in the home of Mr. Blake Weaver (grandfather of Pearl Weaver Burkett) close to Ashe Central High School, across the road from the home of the late Lucius and Ruth Witherspoon. The first meetings were held in the old Friendship School building, until a new building was erected near the school in 1909.

The first pastor to serve the church was Rev. Thomas Duncan and the first member received by baptism was G.W. Burkett (grandfather of the late GC and Brantley Burkett.) Mr. Burkett also sold the church the one-acre of land where the first church was built, less than 50 feet west of our present facility.

In 1950, the original portion of our current facility was built. Rev. JT Cockerham preached the last sermon in the old building. Rev. M.D. Hart, who is still active in the ministry, gave the first sermon in the new facility.

In later years land was purchased as well as donated from the late Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Marsh and the late Rev. & Mrs. G.C. Burkett. Several additions were added tot he church from 1972 through 1979, including the west wing of the sanctuary, two additions to the educational department, a fellowship hall, and a picnic shelter.

In 1997, the east wing of the sanctuary was added as well as the remodeling of sanctuary.

Pastors that have served over the years at Friendship Baptist Church are:

Rev. TM Duncan	1880-1897
Rev. GW Ellerr	1897-1898
Rev. E Blevins	1898-1902; 1922-1925
Rev. JM Neaves	1902-1903
Rev. E Tucker	1903-1904; Aug-Nov 1907
Rev. JF Fletcher	1904-1905
Rev. PH Haire	1905-1907
Rev. WF Barker	1907-1911; 1915-1917; 1920-1922
Rev. RM Burkett	1911-1912
Rev. TM Hayes	1912-1915
Rev. WE Carlton	1917-1920
Rev. WE Denny	1925-1948
Rev. MD Hart	1948-1956
Rev. GC Burkett	1956-1966
Rev. EW Powers	1966-1972
Rev. TE Johnson	1972-1980
Rev. HA Parunak	1981-1987
Rev. JM Blevins	1988-1995
Rev. ML Hamby	1996-1999
Rev. D. Grinnell	1999-present

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BALD MOUNTIAN BAPTIST CHURCH A BRIEF HISTORY

Bald Mountain Baptist Church of West Jefferson, North Carolina was organized on March 5, 1910, in the old Lawrence schoolhouse, which was located near the site of the present church.

The congregation, interested in forming a new church, met for worship in the schoolhouse. After prayer by Rev. Roby Burkett, Rev. P.H. Haire preached a sermon, taking as his text Matthew 16:18, "And I say also unto thee, that thou art Peter, and upon this rock, I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

A business meeting following the sermon resulted in the organization of Bald Mountain Missionary Baptist Church with twenty-four charter members joining that day. Brother Haire called for letters of all present who wished to go into an organization of said place, order and faith. A temporary moderator, clerk, and treasurer were elected.

The first church was built nearby. F.P. Trivett and Wm.E. Carlton was appointed to the Building Committee. The cost of the building site was $15, which was donated by the members and was paid to H.A. Lawrence. The total cost of the church was $730.

The first pastors were Rev. Roby Trivette and Rev. T.M. Hayes. The church was dedicated August 31, 1912. Preachers who participated were Rev. W.R. Bradshaw, who preached the Sabbath Sermon, and Rev. C.M. Cope, who preached the Dedication Sermon.

In 1946, an attempt was made to put a basement under the church. The church fell, and the plan was abandoned. Several members were under it when it fell, among which were Coy Howell, Paul Lawrence, and Dean Lawrence. There were no serious injuries.

On May 4, 1946, a vote was taken to determine whether the church should be repaired or whether a new church should be built. The vote carried for a new building. Another church was built, which has been in use since that time. It has been remodeled, improved, and expanded over the years.

In 1989 the need for more Sunday School rooms, additional choir space, a fellowship hall and a baptistery as well as the need to encourage additional growth resulted in the decision to build a new sanctuary with a fellowship hall in the basement. The first service in the new building, with the Rev. Jack Pugh as pastor, was held May 20, 1990. The dedication service was held August 19, 1990. The total cost of the new building was $211, 000.

Continued church growth necessitated a decision in 1998 to build a new church sanctuary to seat approximately 500 people. The construction included a new fellowship hall, choir room, nursery, classrooms, administrative offices, and library. The project was completed in December 2000, at a cost in excess of $2,000,000.

The first service in the new sanctuary was held December 24, 2000, with Rev. Lawrence Goodman serving as pastor. A dedication service was held May 6, 2001.

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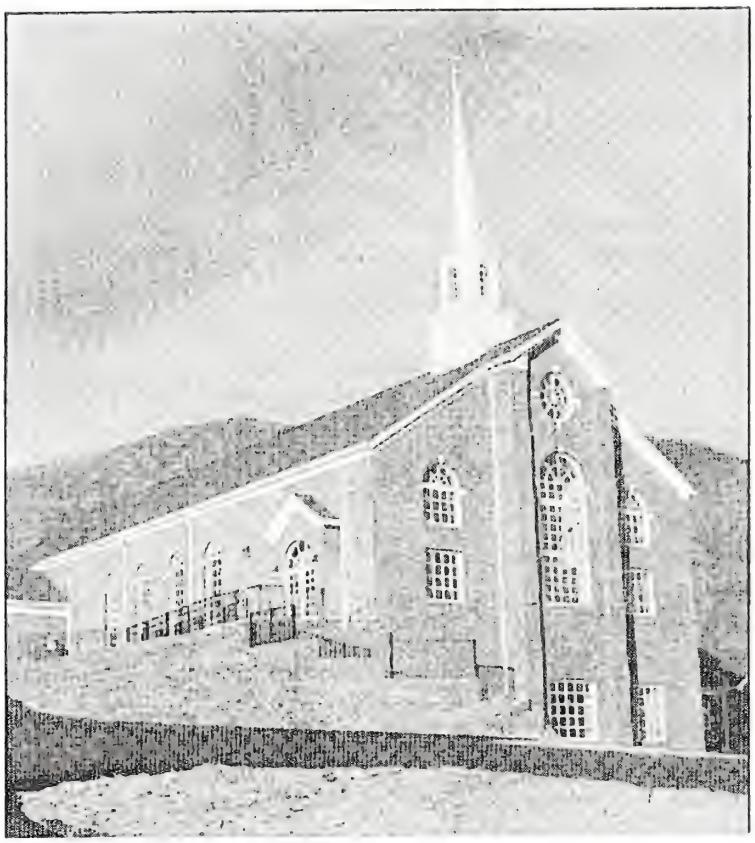
Pastors that have served over the years at Bald Mountain Baptist Church are Rev. T.M. Hays and Rev. Roby Burkett at the time of organization. 1910- Rev. T.M. Hays, 1913 – Rev. Roby Burkett, 1914 – Rev. Rev. W.E. Carlton, 1915 – Rev. I.G. Miller, 1917 – Rev. P.H. Haire, 1919 – Rev. R.M. Burkett, 1920 – Rev. P.H. Haire, 1922 – Rev. S.C. Blackburn, 1931 – Rev. H.M. Winkler, 1933 – Rev. T.A. Farmer, 1936 – Rev. G.C. Burkett, 1938 – Rev. Grady Hamby, 1939 – Rev. M.D. Hart, 1948 – Rev. R.C. Ashley, 1967 – Rev. David Brown, 1968 – Rev. J.E. Owens, Jr., 1977 – Rev. Michael Lemly, 1984 – Rev. Jack Pugh, 1991 – Rev. Lawrence Goodman.



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3. **When a member wishes to speak, he shall rise and address the Moderator, and not proceed until he is recognized.**
4. **No member shall speak more than twice on any subject except by permission of the body.**
5. **It shall be counted disorder for any member to stand up, leave the house or hold private conversation while any person is speaking.**

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ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION - 7/1/01 to 6/30/02 INCOME

	Received	Paid Out	Balance	Placed in General Fund to use for Expenses	Due to Other Fund
Contributions for:					
Camp Ground	100.00		100.00		100.00
Christian Action League	1,466.00	1,466.00	0.00		0.00
Mountain View A/Cs	851.74	795.00	56.74		56.74
Office Fund	2,793.00	2,114.73	678.27		678.27
Office Work	375.00	375.00	0.00		0.00
West Virginia Project	10,577.00	10,577.00	0.00		0.00
WMU	560.00	0.00	560.00		560.00
Hispanic Ministry					
Churches	5,534.13	13,000.00	(7,465.87)	(6,465.87)	(1,000.00)
Offering	5,760.87	3,250.64	2,510.23	2,510.23	0.00
Special donation	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00		0.00
Van	200.00	0.00	200.00		200.00
Home Missions					
Churches	66,530.25	66,530.25	0.00		0.00
Interest Income*					
All Accounts/CD	1,373.49	1,373.49	0.00		0.00
Minute Books					
Churches	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00		0.00
Ashe Really Cares					
Anonymous Donation	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00		0.00
Baptist State Convention	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00		0.00
Churches	6,323.21	5,861.80	461.41		461.41
Transferred from ARC	7,789.00	7,789.00	0.00		0.00
Other Income					
Anonymous	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00		0.00
Baptist State Convention	3,284.11	3,284.11	0.00		0.00
Baptist Men			0.00		0.00
Sales Tax Refund	865.46	865.46	0.00		0.00
Cash Over	2.71	2.71	0.00		0.00
	126,885.97	129,785.19	(2,999.22)		956.42

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2002-2003

		2001-2002 Approved Budget	2001-2002 Actual Expenses	2002-2003 Proposed Budget
I.	**EDUCATION AND PROMOTION**			
	1. Sunday School	$ 800.00	$ 280.00	$ 500.00
	2. Discipleship Training	600.00	0.00	300.00
	3. Brotherhood	200.00	200.00	400.00
	4. WMU	300.00	357.71	600.00
	5. Church Music	1,000.00	2,769.77 *	1200.00
	6. Vacation Bible School	900.00	783.52	900.00
	7. Evangelism	1,200.00	1,200.00	1200.00
	8. Key Leadership	300.00	332.47	400.00
	9. Association Youth	1,200.00	1,200.00	1200.00
	10. Seminary Extension			2000.00
	SUBTOTAL	6,500.00	7,123.47	8700.00
II.	**ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE**			
	1. Office Equipment	1,000.00	3,114.73	1000.00
	2. Printing and Supplies	3,000.00	3,613.63	3700.00
	3. Postage/Mailing	2,500.00	2,111.67	2500.00
	4. Associational Calendars	400.00	400.00	400.00
	SUBTOTAL	6,900.00	9,240.03	7600.00
III.	**SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES**			
	1. Director of Missions	38,110.00	38,110.00	39635.00
	(a) SSI / Medicare			3032.00
	(b) Retirement			2400.00
	(c) Health Insurance			3060.00
	(d) Utilities "50%"			1550.00
	(e) Parsonage Housing Allowance			7200.00
	(f) Parsonage Liability Insurance			475.00
	(g) Net wages			21918.00
	2. Offce Assistant / Treasurer	13,500.00	13,409.42	13500.00
	3. Clerk	370.00	211.93	381.10
	(a) Reimbursement for travel	100.00	75.00	100.00
	4. Treasurer	3,115.00	3,114.96 *	0.00
	5. Employee Taxes	1,300.00	1,883.81 *	1725.00
	6. Employee Health Insurance		*	2256.00
	6. Training	100.00	0.00	100.00
	SUBTOTAL	56,595.00	56,805.12	57697.10
IV.	**PARSONAGE**			
	1. Insurance Premium	550.00	475.00	550.00
	2. Building Repair and Property Maintenance	2,500.00	5,253.71	2500.00
	3. Utilities for Parsonage	2,000.00	1,677.08	2000.00
	SUBTOTAL	5,050.00	5,728.71	5050.00
V.	**MISCELLANEOUS**	500.00	1,479.99	500.00
VI.	**HISPANIC MINISTRY**	13,000.00	13,000.00 *	18000.00
VII.	**ASHE REALLY CARES**	9,000.00	19,006.15 *	9398.00
VIII.	**CHALLENGE 2000**	2,500.00	1,800.97 *	0.00
	TOTAL	$ 100,045.00	$ 114,184.44	$ 106,945.10

* Notations:a) Church music, $1000 late payment from 2001 budget;
b) Office Asst./ Treasurer position approved by Ex.Com.(savings to the Assoc. approximately $1000)
c) Taxes estimated based on projected salaries
d) Employee health insurance benefit in lieu of treasurer wages
e) Hispanic ministry increase by action of Ex.Com.
f) Ashe Really Cares Director's salary is reinbursed by 50% from ARC

All overages of the 2002 budget were paid by anonymous donation/special fund

ASHE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
TREASURER'S REPORT

INCOME:

On hand last report (July 1, 2001)	$41,783.59	
Received (see attached sheet)	126,885.97 *	
BALANCE ON HAND AND RECEIVED		168,669.56

DISBURSEMENTS:

ACTeam (offset by BSC)	280.00	
ARC (offset by BSC, Churches, McKamey's Concert)	19,006.15	
Bank Charges	25.00	
Brotherhood Training (Christmas in July)	200.00	
Calendars	400.00	
Cash Short	0.20	
Challenge 2000 (Offset by Evangelism & Youth)	1,800.97	
Christian Action League	1,466.00	
Clerk/Treasurer	3,326.89	
Travel	250.00	
Director of Missions-Wages	38,110.00	
Evangelism (1138.63 to Challenge 2000 & Music Dept	61.37	
Flowers (offset by special funds)	159.55	
Highlands Community Church (offset by BSC)	2,400.00	
Hispanic Minister-Reimbursed Expenses	13,000.00	
Hispanic Ministry-Expenses (offset by offerings)	3,250.64	
Insurance on Parsonage	475.00	
Key Leadership (offset by special funds)	323.47	
Miscellaneous (special fund & donations offset)	1,479.99	
Music Department (offset by special funds)	2,769.77	
Office Equipment (offset by office funds)	3,114.73	
Postage/Mailing (offset by special fund)	2,111.69	
Printing & Supplies (offset by special fund)	3,613.63	
Repairs & Maintenance (offset by special fund)	5,253.71	
Secretarial Help	13,409.42	
Taxes	1,883.81	
Utilities (Internet/phone line, 1/2 electric, 1/2 telephone	1,677.08	
VBS Expenses	783.52	
West Virginia Project (offset by Churches & private $)	10,577.00	
WMU (offset by WMU) (Christmas in July donations)	357.71	
Youth Council (gave $1200.00 to Challenge 2000)	0.00	
TOTAL AMOUNT PAID OUT		131,567.30
BALANCE ON HAND (June 30, 2002)		$37,102.26

*Estimated balance due to not having access to final bank statement.

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Key Leader Nominations
2002-2003

These names are respectfully submitted by the Nominating Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association in accordance with Article V: Section 7 of the Constitution and By-Laws.

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These names were voted on and approved by the Executive Committee during 2002, and can attend the Key Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest.

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ASSOCIATIONAL MUSIC COMMITTEE:

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2 YRS.	MEMBER #4	REV. CHUCK CALL
2 YRS.	MEMBER #5	MR. SCOTT PRIVETE
3 YRS.	MEMBER #1	REV. WAYNE OSBORNE, "CHAIRPERSON"
3 YRS.	MEMBER #2	REV. RICK MILLER

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OFFICE of ANNUITY

The Annuity Office of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina continues to enjoy a close working relationship with the Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in providing services related to retirement planning, financial support of ministers and other church employees, life and health insurance, church/clergy tax issues, and ministry to retirees and seminary/divinity students.

Despite national and international market volatility, national grief, and a wartime political climate during this past year new opportunities and services were launched in an ongoing effort to fulfill the guiding principle of *Serving Those Who Serve the Lord.* To be specific, all the investment funds were successfully restructured to a registered mutual fund environment, called AB Funds Trust. As a result, new retail investment products, under the theme "New Investment Opportunities…*Absolutely!,*" were introduced. For the first time ministers, church employees, and annuitants may now open IRA and Personal Investment Accounts. With the passage of the Economic Growth and Tax Reconciliation Act (EGTRRA) retirement options have been enhanced dramatically including the ability to roll over other retirement funds from a secular employer.

Furthermore, new medical and disability insurance products were rolled out with the commitment to provide several options to meet increasingly different needs of our populace. Endorsed carriers, such as long-term care and property/casualty, continued to attract interest from our churches and church employees.

The Endowment and Relief Ministry was restructured to provide enhanced financial assistance to the needy, retired ministers and their widows. Funds available to assist these persons increased as well as the number of people who applied for this assistance.

The 2002 SBC Compensation Study with 35 state conventions participating has been conducted and the results are now accessible on the internet. For the first time church leaders are now able to do a customized study on the web. We are very excited about this useful tool as one valuable resource in assisting churches leaders as they study to determine what is a fair and equitable compensation for those who serve the Lord in our churches.

As of June 30, 2002, 61% (2,314) of our NC churches were actively participating in the retirement plan. A record number of 2,851 were receiving benefits and 388 being assisted through the Adopt An Annuitant ministry.

In closing, we remain committed to serve all of our churches, ministers, and other church employees. For more information related to products or services, call the Baptist State Convention of NC at 1.800.395.5102 extension 174, visit our Web site at www.bscnc.org or call the Annuity Board at 1.800.262.0511, or visit the Annuity Board Web site at www.absbc.org.

Johnny E. Ross

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

July 16, 2002

All Services Free & Confidential
(336) 246-4100
(866) TLC FOR U

116 Faw Roland Street
P.O. Box 1572
Jefferson, NC 28640

To the Ashe Baptist Association

The Ashe Pregnancy Care Center is located at 116 Faw Roland Street, Jefferson. Our phone number is 336/246-4100.

We continue to be associated with Heartbeat International and last year joined the North American Mission Board (SBC).

This year we have served 623 clients. Five families were assisted in finding adoption agencies to adopt. Three women have or will place their babies for adoption in Christian homes. We have had 3 salvations this year, 2 rededications, multiple reassurances and several of our clients have now found churches. We have seen 41 babies born this year and that included three sets of twins. At least ten babies, possibly more, have been saved from abortion this year. Sadly we must report that five or more babies were aborted.

Our prayer for the upcoming year is that we can reach out to more young women and men in a crisis pregnancy and help them make the choice for life. We need and pray that 246-4100 is the first phone number they call. Our church kids need to know where we stand if they find themselves in a crisis pregnancy. Church teens in a crisis pregnancy often seek abortions because they are "afraid" of what the church will say. We would like to see more abstinence programs taught in our churches. Our children need to know where we stand on this issue. Abstinence until marriage was God's plan and that is what we teach and preach.

We want to thank the 19 churches of the Association who support us routinely. We encourage all of the churches to remember we are a mission field right here in Ashe Co. We reach those that churches will never have the opportunity to witness to. We see the unlovely, the unwanted, the ones who have been hurt by something or someone in a church and we tell them we love them unconditionally and we build relationships that enable us to share the love of Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Hoefl
Director

Vera Zapcic
Admin. Ass't.

Board of Directors: Rev. Wayne Haney, Mrs. Carol Hartsoe, Rev. Elliott Osowitt, Mrs. Helemarie Reavis, Mrs. Kimi Shelton

AFFILIATED WITH Heartbeat INTERNATIONAL

Ashe Really Cares
Report to the Association
2002

Once again we are grateful to be able to report to you about Ashe Really Cares. How grateful we are to each church and individual that supports the work that we are doing. God is so great in the things that he does.. The need for food is great and He meets that need through His people.

As children of God we are to live our lives so that others can see Christ through us. When Jesus walked upon the earth He showed love and compassion to those He met. That is what we hope that those who come through our doors feel.

For the past year we have been very busy. We have made 2,668 foodboxes and served 5,932 individuals. We had 208 new clients to come to us for help. We have given out 41,969 pounds of food from Second Harvest Food Bank plus a lot of food from churches and individuals.

We want you thank everyone that supports us through prayers, money, clothing donations, and volunteering. We pray that God is using us at Ashe Really Cares to plant spiritual seeds which is the main reason that we are there. As we seek to do his will, pray that God will lead and guide us down the path that we need to go.

Thanks again for all your support and prayers.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mrs. Pat Miller
Director, Ashe Really Cares

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

ASHE REALLY CARES
FINANCIAL REPORT
JULY 1, 2001 To JUNE 30, 2002

DEPOSITS TO ARC

Anonymous	5000.00
Baptist State Convention	3000.00
Big Springs	300.00
Buffalo	427.46
Calvary	729.00
Chestnut Hill	100.00
Friendship	1000.00
Midway	79.36
Ministerial Alliance	1000.00
Mission Home	600.00
Mount Olive	300.00
Mt. Jefferson	500.00
Obids	1227.46
Phoenix	205.82
Round Knob	220.00
Smithport	500.00
Cash Donations	180.00
FEMA	2875.00
Individual Donations	8824.29

TOTAL ARC DONATIONS $27,068.39

OTHER DEPOSITS: ABA

Clifton	440.00
Friendly Grove	1300.00
Glendale Springs	1000.00
New River	1125.21
North Beaver	600.00
Old Fields	1000.00
Round Knob	258.00
Tuckerdale	500.00
Wagoner	100.00
Baptist State Convention	3000.00
Misc. Deposits	10,289.00

TOTAL: **$19,612.21** **(Director Salary is deducted from this total)**

EXPENSES:

Wages	4789.00
Rent	5347.00
Taxes	3000.00
Electric Bill	4052.33
Vehicle	500.28
Reimbursement: Tickets	2000.00
Medical	878.44
Insurance: Automobile	469.00
Phone	356.12
Supplies	177.79
Reimbursement: Food	346.00
Reimbursement: Gifts	338.00
Oil Bill	472.47
Water Bill	243.42
Bank Charges	79.05
Education Fees	30.00
Food: Groceries	169.64
Reimbursement: Unassigned	129.05
Medical	100.00
Room: Unassigned	43.80
Cash Donations	308.54

TOTAL EXPENSES: $23,829.93

Midway (100.00 x 12) Monthly Food Purchase	1200.00
Calvary Food Purchase	265.00

ASHE REALLY CARES
BALANCE ON HAND 6/30/02
$12,028.00

Respectfully submitted ,
Terri Shatley, Treasurer for Ashe Really Cares

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Ashe Baptist Campground Report

Thank you Ashe Baptist for your support of the Campground. The mowing by the churches, giving financially, and doing work projects keeps our camp as one of the best in NC.
Special thanks to Tim Church of the Friendship Baptist Church for monitoring the water system to assure safe water for everyone at the camp. Also thanks to Brother Ronnie Hopkins for being the treasurer of the camp. Sister Ann Eldreth continues to check after each church uses the camp to insure that the Mattie Parsons Memorial Building is clean and that no damage is done. Her husband, Jack is repairing that which needs attention and we are appreciative of that work. A new door has been installed to secure the closet down stairs to keep extra cleaning supplies and needed equipment to keep the building clean.

The week-ends continues to be booked as well as some days during the week. Out of town guests use the camp when not used by our Ashe Baptist Churches. There is a cost of $10 per person per night and $5 per night after that for out of town guests. This funding along with reunion donations and church gifts pay the electric bills, local telephone bill, insurance and other costs that come our way.

We invite you to visit and use your camp. Call the Ashe Baptist Office and book a time for your church outing. Remember this camp is yours ! Let your camp committee know of improvements and ideas that will secure the camps future as it glorifies the Lord. Next year bookings begin January 1,2003. After April 1,2003 it is open to out of town guests to book as well as our churches.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Rick Cornejo
Chairman, Campground Committee

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FINANCIAL REPORT
ASHE BAPTIST SUMMER CAMP
JULY 1, 2001 - JUNE 30, 2002

RECEIPTS:

Bald Mountain Baptist Church	240.00
Big Laurel Baptist Church	60.00
Blue Ridge Baptist Church	200.00
Bristol Baptist Church	50.00
Clifton Baptist Church	100.00
Friendly Grove Baptist Church	300.00
Friendship Baptist Church	500.00
Grassy Creek Baptist Church	180.00
Laurel Knob Baptist Church	50.00
Liberty Grove Baptist Church	300.00
Mission Home Baptist Church	187.50
Mount Olive Baptist Church	150.00
North Beaver Baptist Church	100.00
Old Fields Baptist Church	100.00
Pleasant Home Baptist Church	50.00
Round Knob Baptist Church	100.00
Tuckerdale Baptist Church	300.00
Ashby/Roten Reunion	150.00
Chris Miller	25.00
Owens Reunion	44.40
Skyline- Capital credit	35.91
Cash Unknown	300.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS:	**$3669.68**

DISBURSEMENTS:

Blue Ridge Electric	1032.17
Skyline Telephone	337.83
Ann Eldreth	725.00
Jefferson Rent-all	103.69
Ashe County Builders Supply	104.27
Rose's Stores	94.65
Water Tech labs, Inc.	15.00
Barr Insurance Agency	1810.71
Jack Eldreth	118.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:	**$4341.32**
BALANCE ON HAND:	**$1369.91**

Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina

Jason and Lacey know real hope after facing hopeless times. Jason and Lacey lived with their mother in Hilo, Hawaii. It sounds wonderful, but for the brother and sister it was far from paradise. Their mother's lifestyle constantly placed the two children in danger. Jason was given the blame by his mother for many of the things that had gone wrong in her life.

"She didn't care about anything," Jason recalls now. "I was just there. She didn't care for me."

Jason drew violent pictures. He had difficulty relating to people and was diagnosed with attention deficit disorder. Soon his secrets were exposed. He had suffered severe physical and emotional abuse by his mother. Drugs had been a pervasive part of his life. He had begun using drugs when he was six years old.

Once Jason's grandparents discovered the truth about Jason's life, they sought immediate help for their grandson and found the help they desperately needed from Baptist Children's Homes. In August 1996, he began his new life at Broyhill Home in Clyde.

Lacey still lived with her mother. The two moved to Arizona. Lacey spent her days in the cab of her mother's boyfriend's semi-truck. She was not attending school. After Jason left, Lacey became the focus of her mother's abuse.

Again, the siblings' grandparents intervened. The couple began to think about bringing Lacey to live at Broyhill Home. In 1997, 14 months after Jason, she was safe. Lacey and Jason's grandparents credit Baptist Children's Homes for giving their grandchildren real hope.

Lacey says she plans to be a lawyer. She likes fighting for the underdog. Jason has plans for a career in broadcast journalism. Since coming to Broyhill Home, both children have accepted Christ as their Savior.

"Things began to turn around for me when I became a Christian. I began to read my Bible," Jason says. "I learned a lot of the answers to my questions. I felt like I could be more open."

"Jason might be in an institution, in prison or dead. We try not to even think of what Lacey's life would be like today," the grandparents say. "They've been saved!"

Jason and Lacey are two of the 1,855 children cared for by BCH last year.

Baptist Children's Homes grieves with Nation after September 11th attack – BCH president calls for acts of kindness. In the wake of the tragic events of September 11, BCH president Dr. Michael C. Blackwell stepped to the forefront to calm and encourage children and families. As the nation reeled from the attack, Blackwell immediately offered words of comfort to families through news media from Louisiana, Arizona, Alabama and across North Carolina. He urged Americans to "show kindness" to one another and exhibit "acts of goodness" toward their communities in response to the violence exhibited against our country. BCH children and staff united to provide needed items for those serving at Ground Zero and gave blood for the victims. Despite the physical and emotional effects of September 11, BCH's mission has remained unwavering. "America's spirit has not been lost, and our spirit of helping and healing is stronger than ever," said Blackwell.

BCH faces financial shortfalls due to 9/11, North Carolina Baptists rise to meet financial challenges. As charities across America began to feel the financial effects of 9/11, Baptist Children's Homes also faced shortfalls. Experiencing nearly a 60 percent drop in annual fund giving, President Michael C. Blackwell made an urgent plea to friends and supporters. After an intense effort including personal letters and phone calls, North Carolina Baptists responded, rallying to close the gap by year-end. "I knew North Carolina Baptists would not forget their children," said Blackwell. North Carolina Baptists also stepped forward by meeting the 2001 Thanksgiving Offering Goal. Today, the effects of 9/11 are still being felt. "It is important for North Carolina Baptists to not grow weary in their efforts to help our boys and girls," said Blackwell. "Our churches are our lifeline. It is because of them we are able to touch the lives of so many."

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New BCH strategic plan unveiled. *Quest: A Journey of Excellence* is the title of the new strategic plan that will guide Baptist Children's Homes through 2004. The major goals of the new plan include recruiting and retaining competent qualified staff; training staff; and maintaining and enhancing BCH facilities.

BCH Trustees approve allocation for Information Technology. Trustees made way for sweeping technological improvements throughout BCH. A new Information Technology Center was created and work began to connect all ministry sites digitally. "Every step we take is designed to enable us to better serve children and families... today and in the future," said Dr. Michael C. Blackwell.

Gastonia couple honored at Nolen Building dedication. William "Red" and Mabel Nolen were recognized for their contribution at the dedication of the newly renovated and renamed Nolen Administration building at Mills Home on January 22, 2002. A gift from the Gastonia couple, who have long-time ties to BCH, made the necessary renovations possible.

BCH's Developmental Disabilities Ministry dedicates two new group homes. More than 200 Baptist leaders, Baptist Children's Homes administrators, staff, and guests were in attendance for the historic dedication of BCH's first, new group homes for developmentally disabled adults on March 26, 2002. The two homes, Davis House and Hinkle House, joined Baptist House at Bethabara located in Winston-Salem. Plans to break ground on the next DDM group home to be located in Sanford are scheduled for 2003. Baptist State Convention President Dr. Jerry Pereira, who spoke at the dedication, predicted "the Lord is going to do great and mighty things" through this ministry.

***A Place for Miracles* published.** In March 2002, BCH president Michael C. Blackwell introduced his second book. More than three years in the making, *A Place for Miracles* is a mixture of history, autobiography, inspiration, and vision. The book received the 2002 Baptist Communicators Association Design Award for Best Book Design.

***New Millennium Families: A Study Guide* introduced to North Carolina Baptists.** In September 2001, the study guide to BCH president Michael C. Blackwell's book *New Millennium Families* was introduced at the first of two statewide Deacon-Spouse Training Events in Bryson City. A total of more than 200 deacons and their spouses attended the two conferences. Blackwell and study guide creator Gaylin Huff led group sessions regarding the changing make-up of families as discussed in the book and its effects on the church in North Carolina. *A Study Guide,* to be used with *New Millennium Families*, helps teachers prepare for and guide groups of adults using four different formats: 7 Week Study, Youth Parent Study, Single Parent Study, and Family Ministry Study.

Baptists called to join "Chain of Prayer" for North Carolina's children and families. BCH president Michael C. Blackwell has asked for all North Carolina Baptists to participate in the "Chain of Prayer." Begun in February 2002 at the annual Baptist Men's conference in Charlotte, this physical chain is made up of thin strips of paper containing the handwritten prayers of NC Baptist men, women and children. Throughout the year, these strips are being gathered by BCH representatives and formed together into a chain that will be displayed at this year's Baptist State Convention in November. With children and families facing many different sources of crisis in today's world, Dr. Blackwell believes this statewide unification of prayers for children and families in our state will yield great results.

The support of North Carolina Baptists through the Thanksgiving Offering, Cooperative Program, church and individual gifts, memorials, honors, and estate gifts enables us to fulfill our mission statement – "helping hurting children....healing broken families" – through 14 locations throughout the state. **Thank you, North Carolina Baptists, for your continued prayers and support.**

Michael C. Blackwell, president
Sybil Stewart, board of trustees chair
Fall 2002

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THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST FOUNDATION, INC.
2001 ANNUAL REPORT

The mission of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation since its inception in 1920 has been to assist the Convention and its institutions and agencies in increasing an awareness among North Carolina Baptists of Christian estate stewardship principles as a means of financially undergirding churches, institutions and mission endeavors on a permanent basis. The uniqueness of the ministries and services provided by the institutions and General Board staff merits increased financial support. The Foundation accomplishes these objectives by offering assistance in estate planning counsel, Will preparation, planned giving, charitable remainder trusts, endowment funds and church fund management.

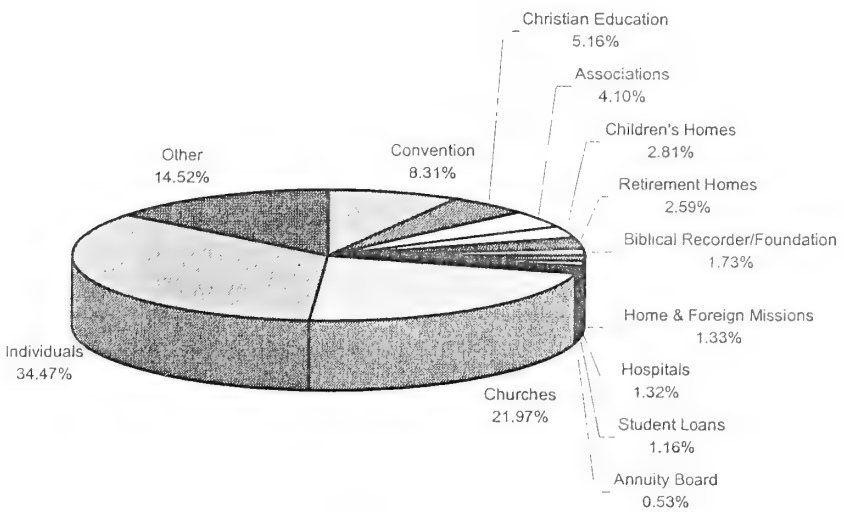
During 2001, the Foundation assisted individuals in establishing 33 endowment funds and 8 charitable remainder trusts totaling $4.8 million and received $9.4 million in contributions to existing endowments all of which will ultimately benefit countless Baptist causes on a permanent basis. Programs were provided for 162 churches and associations during the year to promote Make Your Will Month, Christian estate stewardship, and church fund management. Over $2.3 million from churches and institutions came under management to enhance numerous ministries including scholarships, building funds, cemetery funds, benevolence funds, general operating funds and other various mission causes. With a total of $16.5 million in contributions, it was the best year ever eclipsing the previous high of $10.1 million recorded in 2000.

The Foundation employs professional money managers to invest these funds according to an investment policy adopted by its Board. Four investment pools are offered: a growth fund, a balanced fund, an income fund and a fixed income fund. The Foundation uses the services of Salomon Smith Barney to help select top money managers and evaluate performance. As of December 31, 2001, the Foundation held $106.8 million under management. This is an increase of more than $9.4 million over 2000.

During 2001, our distributions totaled $6.7 million, with charity receiving $4.4 million and individuals, through trusts, receiving $2.3 million. During the 82-year history of The North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc., $20.8 million has been distributed to individuals and $36.8 million to Baptist churches, institutions and mission causes for a grand historical total of $57.6 million.

Harold G. Koger, Chair, Board of Directors
M. Clay Warf, Executive Director

2001 DISTRIBUTIONS



Meeting the Challenges of Health Care

2002 Report to the Associations

"Touching Lives With Hope"

BAPTIST HOSPITAL AND NORTH CAROLINA BAPTISTS: PARTNERS IN MISSIONS

The Baptist Hospital mission began in 1921 when our North Carolina Baptist founders stated, "We desire to build a hospital to bring the healing art more definitely under the dominion of the Great Healer." Gold crosses that adorn the exterior of the hospital symbolize our historic and daily commitment to bring medical excellence and Christian compassion to those we are privileged to serve. This report will highlight our partnership with North Carolina Baptists in continuing the mission of healing.

SCHOOL OF PASTORAL CARE

Our mission at the School of Pastoral Care is ***"to provide ministries of growth, hope, and healing in the Spirit of Christ."*** This defines the spiritual essence of who we are and the meaning of what we do in caring for hurting people. We are very thankful to North Carolina Baptists for their gifts to the School through the Cooperative Missions Program. You are making a tremendous difference as our partner in life-changing ministries.

CareNet, Inc., our Department of Pastoral Counseling, is the largest faith-based counseling system in the nation. We continue to expand our services across North Carolina. The scope of this ministry is astounding: 27,000 hours of counseling per year at 21 locations. These include 4 regional centers (Winston-Salem, Greenville, Fayetteville, and Wilmington) and 17 strategically located satellites. The individual stories of emotional and spiritual healing, of broken families being restored, are even more telling.

The Center for Congregational Health celebrates its 10th Anniversary in 2002. Dr. David Odom has been the Center's visionary leader from its beginning. The initial mission continues to guide this ministry of helping churches become healthier communities of faith. The Center is providing consultation to approximately 25 churches per month, and training to over 600 church leaders per year. The financial support of N.C. Baptists allows Baptist churches to receive initial consultation at no cost, and provides subsidies for churches and ministers needing financial assistance. Please call the Center for more information (336-716-0459).

The Department of Chaplaincy and Pastoral Education provided ministry through more than 61,000 pastoral contacts in the past year. Every day chaplains can be found comforting bereaved families, praying for seriously ill patients, reading Scriptures to those who are afraid, offering comfort and extending hope in the name of Jesus Christ. Fifty-three students received supervision and training in 2001.

The Department of Church and Community Relations continues to serve its mission as a liaison between the Hospital and North Carolina Baptist churches. We welcome you to call Rev. Paul Mullen if you need assistance (336-716-3027). Many pastors call on behalf of church members who need a referral to the Medical Center or have concerns about medical bills because of financial need. Speakers can be requested to provide an overview of the Hospital and its ministries to church groups.

BAPTIST BENEVOLENT CARE FUND

It is a difficult burden to be physically sick and worried about how to pay for needed medical care. North Carolina Baptists extend the compassionate reach of missions to patients in financial need at Baptist Hospital through their gifts to the Mother's Day Offering. Those you have helped are deeply thankful for this gracious witness to the love of Jesus Christ, and they are drawn closer to Him. All of the funds are used for this purpose. **Thank you,** North Carolina Baptists, for giving $568,808 to this ministry in 2001!

ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS AT NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Number 1 in Patient Satisfaction - Baptist Hospital was ranked #1 in the nation in patient satisfaction, according to Press Ganey patient satisfaction scores for the spring quarter of 2002. Press Ganey, the health care industry's top satisfaction measurement firm, ranked Baptist Hospital first among its peers.

New Brenner Children's Hospital Opens - The 11-story addition to the Hospital opened in April 2002. Six of the floors provide private rooms for all pediatric patients, state-of-the-art technology, family resource centers, a prayer room, and an enclosed playground on the roof. The tower also includes additional operating rooms and a spacious surgical family waiting room.

New Substance Abuse Treatment Center for Older Adults - Wake Forest University Baptist Behavioral Health, a subsidiary of Baptist Hospital and WFU Health Sciences, has opened the first residential program in the region devoted exclusively to treating chemical dependency problems among adults 55 and older. The comprehensive treatment program focuses on treating the whole person, encompassing physical, emotional, social, and spiritual health.

Ranked Among the Nation's Best - The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Inc. ranks among "America's Best Hospitals" according to the July 2002 issue of *U.S. News and World Report.*

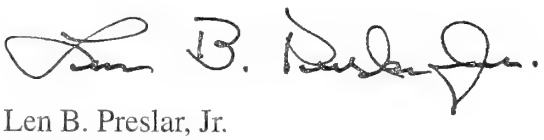
WFUBMC: What's in a Name? The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Inc. is one of two component institutions of Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. The partnership also includes Wake Forest University Health Sciences (WFUHS), consisting of WFU Physicians, the School of Medicine, and other entities. Baptist Hospital and WFUHS are separate but interdependent institutions, each with its own Board of Trustees. The combined institutions,WFUBMC, are overseen by a joint Board of Trustees which facilitates the effective and collaborative pursuit of its mission: excellent patient care, medical education and research, and community service.

Information and Appointments - For more information on health related issues or to make an appointment with a physician, contact HEALTH-ON-CALL at 1-800-446-2255 or 336-716-2255.

CLOSING WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT

We at Baptist Hospital are very thankful to be partners in the mission of healing with North Carolina Baptists. Our roots are in this partnership, beginning as a mission enterprise of the Baptist State Convention in 1921. This report also highlights the ongoing nature of the relationship with the School of Pastoral Care. We have a sacred privilege and responsibility to serve Jesus Christ by serving people in need at Baptist Hospital. We thank you for being our partner in these "ministries of growth, hope, and healing." We ask that you pray for our patients, their families, and our staff as we seek to serve our Lord each day at the Medical Center.

Respectfully submitted,



Len B. Preslar, Jr.
President
The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Incorporated

BAPTIST RETIREMENT HOMES
OF NORTH CAROLINA, INCORPORATED
PROUDLY SERVING OLDER ADULTS SINCE 1951

The generous support received from North Carolina Baptists has enabled Baptist Retirement Homes to lead the state in providing benevolent care for Older Adults who lack sufficient financial resources to pay for the quality care they deserve. At all Homes communities, residents rest in the knowledge that they will be cared for as long as they live.

Baptist Retirement Homes continues to be on the cutting edge of meeting the needs of Older Adults ... particularly those dealing with dementia-related conditions, such as Alzheimer's Disease.

In recent years, the Homes has established specially designed residences to meet the special needs of these dear ones. The Fowler Memory Enhanced Residence at the Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville has been operational since 2000; the Kulynych Memory Enhanced Residence opened at the Brookridge Retirement Community in Winston-Salem in 2001; later this year, a third residence will open at the Homes' newest community, The Gardens of Taylor Glen, in Concord.

Thank you North Carolina Baptists, for helping us make life for the Older Adults of this state ... "the Best of Times!"

Brookridge Retirement Community
Winston-Salem • 336-759-1044

The Gardens of Taylor Glen
Concord (opening in November 2002)
704-788-6510

Hamilton Baptist Home
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Taylor House
Albemarle • 704-982-4217

Western North Carolina Baptist Home
Asheville • 828-254-9675

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The Baptist Elder Care Network — Simple Answers • 1.800.887.7410
A statewide system of resource counselors answering questions related to the needs of aging persons —
A free service provided by Baptist Retirement Homes

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Brotherhood Report 2001-2002

The men of the Ashe Baptist Association have been blessed with another good year. I am happy to report that we had two more churches to organize brotherhood in their churches this year. If you would like help in getting Baptist Men Brotherhood started in your church please feel free to contact me or the Associational office for support.

Thanks to all of the men and ladies who helped in the rebuilding of homes in West Virginia, that were destroyed by the flooding. A special thanks goes out to our churches for your financial support. Last year at our annual meeting we set a goal to contribute $8,000 to the West Virginia project and we exceeded our goal by contributing more than $13,000 to the project. All glory and honor goes to our Heavenly Father! Many thanks goes out to the individuals who donated the materials for the homes as well! Our churches are still conducting mission trips to West Virginia and I ask that we continue to pray for the residents of West Virginia as they continue to rebuild their homes and lives. If I can be of help to you and your church in any way please feel free to give me a call at 246-5631 or 982-3316

Respectfully Submitted,

Fred Walters
Associational Brotherhood Director

Moderator Report 2001-2002

Serving is always an honor and sometimes a special honor. The special honor is how I feel about having served you, the saints of Ashe Baptist Association, for the past two years.

It has been said that a moderator's job is difficult and controversial it's faithful handmaiden. Well, nothing could be farther from the truth. At least on my watch. I have been blessed with the most dedicated and conscientious people for which a fellow servant could ask and the pleasure has been enormous.

It is my desire and prayer that those who follow men the coming years will meet with the same cooperative spirit and willingness to serve that I have had the privilege to experience.

We must always remember that a successful association is an association that pulls together and understands that the cause of Christ is the ultimate objective and not the individual's agenda. it has been my joy to experience this attitude in my fellow workers in the Ashe Baptist Association, and this is truly a greater reward than one could ever expect from a world other than the one that serves the Savior.
God speed and continue the Great work for the Kingdom

His Bondservant,

Rev. Kershaw Getty

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Associational Sunday School Report 2001/2002
Bible Teaching / Reaching

The past year has been a letdown on my part. And I ask your forgiveness for it. There has been one thing after another happening to keep the team from doing what we need to do. Changing the training schedule around started every thing else getting overlooked or put aside. Then many other things got in the way.. I have determined that it is nobody other than Satan. Well Satan get out of the way because we are going to get things going this year and you're not going to stop us.

We will take some fall training and then set up some training sessions for those of you that would like some training. However if any church would like to have training within their own congregation, please feel free to call me and we will set up a time agreeable with everyone. The team is available to any and all churches within the association at all times. This team is there for you and if you have a need use it. Sometimes it may be only a question that needs to be answered. We will be more than happy to answer that question.

Looking forward to having a successful training year this next year. But for it to be successful it will require you taking part in the training. Looking to see most of you at our first training sometime this fall. May God bless all of you as you serve him! Keep the faith and smile every chance you get.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Ketner
Associational Sunday School Director

Youth Committee Report
2001/2002

The beginning of Spring brought new growth among God's people as 850 young people converged upon Ashe County's High School and Middle School for *"Challenge 2000."* Everyone was invited to enjoy free pizza and sodas every night. Each evening started with music presented by Friendship Baptist Church's praise and worship band, presentations by Friendship Baptist Church's drama team, a martial arts demonstration by Rev. Alan Ambrose, and a testimony by new Christian, Brandon Dillard. The draw for the unchurched youth in Ashe County was a Christian band, "Monday Morning", who played and sang for about 40 minutes each night. The evening culminated with a heart-stirring message from Evangelist and Nascar Chaplain, David Soesbee. Was *"Challenge 2000"* a success? If even one soul was reached that weekend, the answer would be a resounding yes! However, due to the combined efforts of all involved, and God's magnificent blessing, 26 people responded to the powerful Gospel message of hope and life in Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Alan Ambrose

Biblical Recorder

2002 Associational Report

The world is changing rapidly, and Baptists are changing right along with it. Gone are the days of a simple denominational life or a single way to be Baptist. Never has it been more important for North Carolina Baptists to be informed of the many issues affecting Baptist life, mission work and mutual cooperation.

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Challenge 2000 Report
2001/2002

"Challenge 2000" has been a successful and rewarding project. The mission was to bring the message of Jesus Christ to every person in Ashe County. The project began in October 1999 and even though it is being concluded it is our prayer that the churches will continue to convey this message to all unchurched people.

The updated 5.0 software-mapping program is available to any and all churches through the Association office at no cost to enhance their visitation and witnessing efforts.
The Challenge 2000 Committee met numerous times this year along with the Association Youth Committee and the Evangelism Committee in planning a county-wide youth Crusade. This was conducted at the Ashe County High School and Middle School. It was well attended and twenty eight youth made commitments to our Lord Jesus Christ. Over 850 folks were in attendance. Bibles were purchased and provided to all our youth desiring one.

Also, this year a Challenge 2000 advertisement billboard was rented Near East Jefferson with the message "Kneel at the Cross, Jesus will meet you there." Thanks to the churches and individuals that have contributed financially. God's blessings are great! We have a bank balance of $533.84, which will be used to continue updating the mapping software.
We thank the Lord for blessing this program so much.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Neaves

Historian Report (minutes Friday, Sept. 24,1886)

Convention Of Delegates of Baptist Churches in Ashe and Alleghany Counties, NC convened with Buffalo Baptist Church, Ashe County, North Carolina on September 24, A.D.1886.

The subject of naming this Association was considered, and after some remarks and proposition it was agreed that it should be known as "THE ASHE AND ALLEGHANY ASSOCIATION".

At the 1887 annual meeting the subject of division was again considered. After being explained by Brother W. C. Fields, the affirmative report was adopted as follows and a letter of dismission was granted to all Alleghany churches when merged into another association of the same faith and order.

After due deliberation we have decided that it is both prudent and necessary to divide the Ashe and Alleghany Association with the county line.The most important reason for such division being the great area occupied.

Prepared and Submitted By,
Rev. Bill Ballou (Historian ABA)

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE REPORT: 2002-2003

Alcohol, it's not for Ashe County! Give thanks to God for the victory against alcohol and for those who stood in the gap and that were faithful to the call. Because of the work of Citizens for a Drug Free Community and the voters who understood the problems inherent in the sale of alcohol, Ashe County will be a morally stronger and safer community for all of its citizens. Do you know that alcohol is the leading contributor to teen suicide, violent crime, child and spousal abuse, higher insurance rates, alcohol addiction, and hundreds of thousands of deaths yearly? The negative effects of alcohol sales far outweigh any so called benefits derived from its sale. How much money would be required to replace a life taken by an intoxicated driver or repair the damage done to children by an abusive parent under the influence of alcohol? Some would have you believe that an occasional drink is not harmful, but the truth is that 85% of all alcohol is consumed by 15% of the population. Without the addict or problem drinker, the alcohol industry would go bankrupt. The alcohol industry loves the addict because their misery is a source of huge profits. Abraham Lincoln once observed that, "Alcohol has many defenders but has no defense". The Ashe County chapter of the Christian Action League is a support organization which promotes an ongoing educational program to inform our citizens of the ethical and moral issues facing our community during these times. We urge Christians to voice their concern over the violence portrayed in the media and to voice their opposition to efforts to legalize gambling and a lottery for North Carolina. Gambling is not a legitimate exercise of government. A lottery promotes" a something for nothing philosophy" and impacts those least able to pay-The poor and destitute in our state. League goals for 2002-2003 include the following: A. to oppose the legalization of a lottery for North Carolina, B. to make Christians aware of the influence of the media on the lives of young people, C. to lobby against the sale of beverage alcohol in our county and state, and D. to eliminate alcoholic advertisements from the media. We invite all like-minded citizens to join us in furthering these goals and in promoting the highest standards of Christian values in our community.

Respectfully submitted

Delmas Parker

Council on Christian Higher Education

Baptist State Convention of North Carolina
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"Shaping Lives for... a Life" is the mission of North Carolina Baptist colleges and universities.

Students come to the campuses of Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill and Wingate expecting to receive an education. What they may not expect is an experience that will shape the rest of their lives.

Like the artist who carefully and methodically sculpts wet clay, giving it form and function, the faculty and staff of North Carolina Baptist colleges and universities shape the lives of students through their dedicated teaching and mentoring.

The graduates of these campuses emerge as people who become our future ministers, doctors, lawyers, artists, teachers, businesspeople, and church and community leaders.

It has been shown that graduates of church related institutions invest themselves in their churches and communities in greater numbers than graduates of public institutions of higher education. As a result of the support of North Carolina Baptists, the future looks bright for our churches and communities.

Gifts to the Cooperative Missions Budget of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina last year made it possible for six hundred twelve (612) members from four hundred forty-five (445) convention related churches to receive special scholarship assistance to attend our five affiliated institutions of Christian higher education. Seventy-four (74) out of eighty (80) associations were represented in this group.

Some of the recipients would not have been able to pursue their dream of a degree from an accredited college or university without the financial assistance provided by generous North Carolina Baptists. One of those recipients lost his father unexpectedly during his freshman year in college. Scholarship assistance from North Carolina Baptists made it possible for him to continue with his studies. He graduated this year.

Another scholarship recipient is the mother of six children. In spite of the pressures to be a good mother, she pursued her studies while holding down a full-time job. She, too, graduated this year with a perfect 4.0 grade point average. She is employed by a North Carolina Baptist institution.

These are a few of those who are benefiting from your generous support of our Baptist State Convention. In the coming years, we will benefit from their contributions to our life as North Carolina Baptists.

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Gardner-Webb University - *2001- 2002 Academic Year Summary*

As Gardner-Webb officially enters into a countdown to its centennial in 2005, the institution is experiencing success in all phases of campus life. Despite a progressive move into the 21st century, however, the University's mission remains the same as it has been since its founding in 1905 -- to provide learning of distinction within a caring Christian environment.

The 2001-2002 year at Gardner-Webb will be noted in the annals of the University's history as one of extreme significance. Programs and facilities, affiliations, personnel and student body all were enhanced further to continue the institution's rise to regional and national prominence.

Programs such as the M. Christopher White School of Divinity have continued to offer new and dynamic courses of study under the leadership of highly respected faculty members. In Fall 2001 Gardner-Webb began offering its first-ever doctoral program, the Doctor of Ministry (D.Min.) degree, with the maximum number of students enrolled.

The School of Divinity is prepared to enter this new realm with strong administrative and faculty leadership, and challenging curriculum and auxiliary offerings as well. A hallmark of the GWU divinity experience continues to be the annual Holy Land and Paul's Missionary Journeys Study Tours. The trips, now underwritten by GWU for divinity students, is led by GWU President Dr. Chris White, a noted authority in biblical studies, and Dr. Wayne Stacy, Dean of the School of Divinity.

The School of Divinity also welcomed the addition of two newly established endowed chairs in 2001-2002. The Bob D. Shepherd Chair of New Testament Interpretation was the first endowed chair to ever be formed at GWU, and Dr. Todd D. Still was named at opening divinity convocation to occupy the esteemed position. In the spring, the Randall Lolley Chair of Pastoral Studies was completed in honor of Dr. Lolley's tremendous impact on Baptist life.

The Center for Congregational Enrichment, a function of the School of Divinity, this past year was the beneficiary of GWU's largest-ever grant, a $1.25 million gift from the Lilly Foundation to begin a program for youth that nurtures the call to Christian ministry. Hired this year to direct the Center and the new Lilly program was Dr. Danny West, a noted Baptist leader who will administrate the innovative new Lilly venture while continuing the Center's work to provide seminars and workshops to laypersons and church leaders on timely topics that range from teaching Sunday School to effective church administration.

The same sense of excitement and progress that has marked the past year in the School of Divinity has permeated the entire institution as well. Other areas of the University that were lauded this past year include the GWU School of Education, which had its teacher education program ranked for the third year in a row among the top programs of its kind in a recent study produced by the State Board of Education. The School of Education is recognized for quality in all its departments with accreditation from the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE), the most prestigious status that can be achieved in teacher education.

Further indication of Gardner-Webb's commitment to the highest level quality of instruction is Dr. Gail Price, winner of the 2001-2002 Fleming-White Excellence in Teaching Award that honors the University's most outstanding faculty member. Price, professor of English and past chair of the GWU Department of English Language and Literature, has brought her Christian influence and integrity to the classroom for more than a decade, and her honor was voted upon by not only students, but fellow faculty and staff as well. Dr. Price is a widely respected authority in her field and regularly participates in innovative efforts locally, regionally and nationally to continually raise the standard of excellence in English and writing instruction.

Furthering its mission to provide world-class education in a Christian setting, Gardner-Webb has refined and expanded many of its 17 off-campus locations this year as well, including the new "Gardner-Webb University at Statesville" operation. Providing the only four-year opportunity to that region of North Carolina, GWU at Statesville is settling into a new, state-of-the-art facility in Iredell County that spans over 11,000 square feet. In April, a new facility was unveiled in Mecklenburg County as well, officially named "Gardner-Webb University at Charlotte." The institution's evening school offerings for working adults are offered at the site along with multiple graduate level programs for the citizens of that area also.

The quality of the student body continued in 2001-2002 to set new standards of excellence at GWU. The average GPA for incoming students was over 3.4 and the average SAT was 1100. A newly completed strategic plan for the University identifies this quality of student as being key to the growth and progress of GWU's next decade. In addition, the strategic plan and accompanying master plan have set forth ambitious and exciting goals for the university in the next decade, including expansion of the physical campus and academic programs, among others.

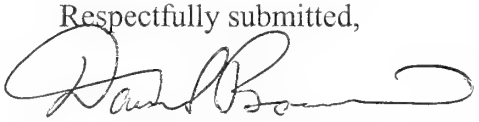
The new 2001-2002 year also meant the completion of GWU's transition phase to NCAA Division I status. Fall 2002 marks the beginning of a new era in athletics, as well as academics and recognition, as Gardner-Webb has begun competing in the Atlantic Sun Conference (formerly the TAAC). This move to Division I and conference affiliation opens new doors institutionally for Gardner-Webb as new markets and opportunities for exposure are tapped in member cities such as Miami/Ft.Lauderdale, Orlando, Jacksonville, Birmingham, Nashville and Atlanta.

Students at Gardner-Webb also enjoyed another eventful year full of opportunities to grow in all areas of their well-being. Notably, many students again participated in Ministerial Education (M.E.) Days, which allow undergraduate and graduate ministerial students the chance to preach in Baptist churches in area associations through a cooperative arrangement with the GWU Office of Campus Ministries. That office continues also to offer the weekly DIMENSIONS program to students, which features prominent speakers and performers who bring positive messages of their Christian faith each Tuesday throughout the academic year.

As a leader in the Baptist community, Gardner-Webb takes seriously its responsibility as a beacon of quality Christian higher education to the state, region and the nation. The decisions made by the Board of Trustees and the administration will continue to reflect that philosophy as the University charts a course for the 21st century.

Staying true to its affiliation with the Christian faith, Gardner-Webb remains appreciative for the generous support it receives from the Cooperative Program and feels that the school is more effective as a result of offerings that are enhanced with these funds.

Respectfully submitted,



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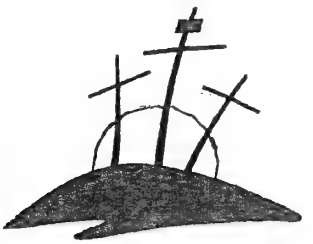
Director of Church Relations

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association



Report by the Director of Missions

"Helping forgotten people," "changing the world for the better," these statements cannot be accomplished until we realize that "It's Jesus that makes the difference!" What we do is great but what Jesus does is eternal. God said in **Leviticus 26:12 "and I will walk among you and will be your God and you shall be my people."** The folks who make up Ashe Baptist Association are truly God's people. I am glad to be affiliated with a Christian group of God fearing people.

Basic truth does not change. Everything else is optional. Could we be a barrier to change? Are we a coach or networker with God's people? Is God up to something with you and I? We can be on the cutting edge creating something new for God's work. I am not much on being a caretaker! Are we trained for a culture that no longer exists? Are we lost in the 50's? I don't want to play catch-up. I want us to be ahead of the curve.

Building partnerships beyond the walls of the church is a must as we go into the 21st Century. **"Kingdom Building"** and the body of Christ go hand in hand. The Church must sit comfortably at county, state, and national meetings that affect our people. **We must connect with these folk. We, as God's church of today, must be wired to connect to a lost and dying world.** Truth must replace tolerance and scripture must dicitate morals. We cannot be so closed or narrow minded that we disconnect. We cannot be a slow changing institution in a fast paced world.

I'm afraid that Ashe County and America have become more religious but less Christian. People live in a compressed world time cycle. The Church must recognize this and adjust. It's not an Ozzie and Harriet world any more,(although I would like to see some of that time again.) There are 30 million folks who do not speak English in America and there are more Buddhists than Presbyterians.

How do we help forgotten people and help the world to be a better place?

We must be **intentional** as Paul was in I Corinthians 9:19. We must understand the culture and see how people tick. Remember the gospel will stand when the dust settles. Developing strategy for our own area is necessary. What works for New York City will not work for Crumpler.

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DOM Report Continued

We also need to be **inclusive.** Paul said, "I become all things to all men that I might win some!" We can learn from other people and be proactive with others. The Bible says we are neither Jew or Greek, male or female.

Being **innovative** means getting out of the box but not doing away with the box. The box is what got us where we are today. We cannot compromise the message of Jesus Christ. Focusing outward not inward is a must.

We will be **inconvenienced.** Paul was! Jesus was! We stop growing when we think the cost is too much. We must never give up, never fear failure, never be frustrated, never get fatigued to the point that satan wins and we are trapped as a Christian or as a Church. Stay focused and be renewed. Remember "there is a God and you and I are not Him." Let God work. Don't get in the way. We have a great future!! There is a divine side and a human side in every church. Attention needs to be given to each, not necessarily a balance between the two.

I'm more optimist about the small rural church than ever before. All Churches in the Ashe Association are considered rural. We have 20% more folks in the rural areas than ever before. Therefore, **the rural church is more important than ever before**. Rural America is manageable and comfortable for me. I hope that it is for you too!

Our soul overflows as we move forward. Don't be a "clockeyed Baptist." Let's serve God until Jesus comes.

I thank you for your understanding, your encouragement, and your financial support. Without the help of the Lord and your help we would not be where we are today. The following is a portion of the work that God has allowed me to do this past year:

- Drove 12,304 miles
- Assisted Hispanic Church
- Assisted Ashe Really Cares
- Directed Challenge 2000
- Assisted in Youth Revival for High School and Middle School.
- Assisted West Virginia Disaster Relief
- Upgraded office equipment
- Prepared 825 Minute Books
- Prepared 225 Book of Reports
- Prepared 750 Newsletters,14 pages each month
- Mailed numerous cards and letters to pastors and church officers as needed (to include E-mail and Faxes)
- Submitted Church announcements to Jefferson Post and Mountain Times Community Events weekly
- Led the fight against alcohol in West Jefferson and Jefferson
- Preached in nursing home each month

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DOM Report Continued

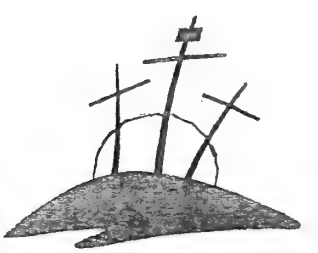
- Conducted Radio Program on WKSK weekly (Ashe Baptist Associational News)
- Shared "The thought for the Day" every 2 months on WKSK
- Provided pulpit supply as needed
- Assisted Pastors in 7 Revivals,VBS ,Special Bible Studies and visited ABA Churches
- Helped to co-ordinate and participated in Prayer Breakfast for All Ashe County Schools
- Met with Associational Committees as needed
- Supervised Associational staff
- Provided over 600 hours of counseling
- Organized 5 Baptist State Convention Training sessions in ABA
- Worked with (in county and out of county) 5 clinics, Key Leadership, Caraway Programs, Ridgecrest Programs, New Minister Conference at Cary, NC
- Assisted with Ashe Pregnancy Care Center, School Based Health Center, Partnership for Children, Smart Start, Ashe Ministerial Alliance, Family Central, FEMA, Ashe Alternative School,Ashe Middle School, Ashe County High School, all three Elementary Schools and Ashe County 4-H

"And I will walk among you and will be your God and you shall be my people"
Leviticus 26:12.

Let's stay focused on Jesus, we have a great future !!

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. David Blackburn
Director of Missions /Associational Missionary
Ashe Baptist Association



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Hispanic Baptist Mission "Cristo El Salvador"
2001/2002

Buenas tardes (good evening) brothers and sisters.
It is a great privilege for me to be allowed to speak at the yearly meeting of the Ashe Baptist Association.
First and foremost, I want to thank my Lord Jesus Christ, for enabling me to be here today in this majestic rural splendor of Ashe County. However, with Jesus Christ, when we follow Him, everything is possible.
For those in attendance who are new to this county and don't know me, I am a volunteer for the Ashe Baptist Association and a member of the Hispanic Committee. By trade, I am a linguist, interpreter, and translator. When I am needed, the Association calls on me to interpret or to translate whatever is needed for the Hispanic Mission "Cristo El Salvador." I am glad to do this work for my Lord, for He gave His blood for me so that I would have eternal life, and that this Hispanic Mission will be able to reach my Hispanic brothers and sisters so that they too will be saved!
I enjoy working with Reverend Jesus Padilla, as I can attest to the fact that the Bible that he teaches from and the message that he delivers comes from the best book that has ever been written "The Bible." He is truly a servant of God.
The Hispanic Mission had its beginning in 1997 and it was officially dedicated on June 28, 1998. This mission, for the records of history, is the very first Hispanic mission in Ashe County in Western North Carolina.
Jesus Padilla has vigorously worked with the Hispanic committee to ensure that this mission is pleasing to the Lord. I would like to name everyone who has helped, but time and space tells me to thank each and everyone who has helped, especially all the churches who have worked so fervently. I also feel compelled to thank Rev. Lawrence Goodman and the Bald Mountain Baptist Church and all his members who have worked so hard and given so much to see that this would happen, and to Rev. David Blackburn for the untiring guidance through the Ashe Baptist Association. I feel gratified that the Lord knows what has been accomplished in these 7 years. This fiscal year, 67 people have been saved of which 18 are children. 85 Bibles were presented, 500 tracks have been given and 42 have received New Testaments. Pastor Padilla now has a strong Jail Ministry, where he prays and counsels the Hispanic inmates and their families. Please pray for Pastor Padilla and for his wife Petra and for his family. Pastor Padilla, Jesus Padilla Jr., and brother Ortiz, as they also help this mission with their Mexican music and Christian hymns when invited to play at the various churches here and in the contiguous counties, and all this to the Glory of our Lord.
I take this opportunity to thank all the pastors and their churches for all the help. Now last, but not least, to our friend Steve Witherspoon, for his participation in the foundation of this mission work.
Now I say agur in Basque, adios in Spanish, and until we meet again, please love each other in the Lord.

Hank Saralegui,
Member Hispanic Committee

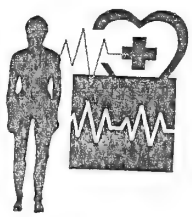
Matthew

Discipleship Report
2001/2002

Jesus command in Matthew 18: 18-20 tell us "... all power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach our nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Then in II Timothy 2:15, Paul tells us to "study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." Discipleship is not a suggestion for Christians but a command. People who claim the name of Jesus should be learning themselves about being a disciple of Jesus and then teaching others or disciplining them. Discipleship training is a good way to see that "discipling" happens.
For the year 2000-2001 year 16 churches reported discipleship training with a total enrollment of 731. The Association has some discipleship studies in many different topics that are available to churches. Just about any training needs that an individual or church need
can be found at the Associational office or in the resource catalogs that are available.
If a church or individual feels a need for training or Bible study please feel free to contact me. We can do training needs assessment and discover what type of training materials or Bible study materials are right for you. May God bless you, as I know that, "he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ."

Respectfully submitted

Mrs. Linda Blackburn
Discipleship Training Director



Medial Missions Ministry of Ashe
2001/2002

The MMMA returned to Montana in August 2001. A construction team led by Pastor Elliott Osowitt helped complete the parsonage for the Glacier View Baptist Church. Pastor Phil Befford and his wife Helen enjoyed a much warmer Montana winter as a result of this team's effort! MMMA won't be returning to Montana in 2002 due to the expense of cross-country travel, however, Elliott will return to preach a series of revival services in the late summer.
Our most recent outreach is in partnering with a small Baptist church in War, West Virginia. MMMA will be working with local church leaders to provide medical screening of cholesterol, blood sugar, and blood pressure for residents of the depressed coal-mining town. Our first trip will be August 20, 2002, in conjunction with a building team and evangelism team from Bald Mountain Baptist Church. Pastor Lawrence Goodman will preach revival to complete their Vacation Bible School week. MMMA will not be treating patients in West Virginia; the malpractice insurance in that state is too expensive to purchase. Patients will be screened for disease and encouraged to seek treatment from area physicians as needed.
This partnering in West Virginia will allow more medical personnel to make the short three-hour drive and serve at a very low cost. We anticipate many teams to make the trip in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
Gregory S. Hershner, Medical Missions Ministry of Ashe

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RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT
2001-2002

Whereas, the Ashe Baptist Association recognizes that a greater participation is needed for mission work within the Association, so that the lost may come to Jesus Christ as Savior. We need to accept the challenge, to support all programs within the Association, because "a cord that is bound together is not easy broken" (Ecc. 4:12).

Whereas, the success of all that we do depends upon your prayers and your participation and the commitment of gifted individuals working persistently and to the Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn, Rev. Jesus Padilla, Pastor, Hispanic Church and Ashe Really Cares Director, Pat Miller.

Whereas, the Ashe Baptist Association reaffirms their strong support for mission work, and the continued success for missionary work in all Associational churches and abroad. Moreover, a special recognition for mission work being accomplished within the Hispanic Mission, Ashe Really Cares, and Challenge 2000.

RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO THE SALES OF BEER AND WINE IN RESTAURANTS OF WEST JEFFERSON

Whereas, the Ashe Baptist Association recognizes that the sales of beer and wine in restaurants of West Jefferson would increase the number of accidents, deaths and family problems. Moreover, alcohol is a direct drain on our economy. For every dollar spent to purchase alcohol, $21.00 dollars is spent to correct the damage caused by the consumption of this evil. God is calling the Christian to correct this evil, that's controlling our society, If my people who are called by my name will live in total obedience to God, He will heal our land" (II Chronicles 7:14).

Whereas, God created us to seek fulfillment from Him and not from beer or wine that will leave you broke, lonely and no treasures in Heaven (Matthew 6:20-21). Moses found greater fulfillment in God than he did in all the pleasure of Egypt (Hebrews 11:24-26).

Whereas, the infinite abyss that rest in life cannot be filled by beer or wine regardless of its increased availability. Only God can fill the gulf that exists in a person's life (John 14:6).

Whereas, the world has learned to seek fulfillment through the use of drugs, in self-promotion, self-absorption and self-preservation, but God satisfies the Christian with the highest value; He gives us Himself.

Whereas, the consumption of alcohol is a sin, and sin gives the illusion of self-control, but the steering mechanism of life becomes disconnected because of this sin. Sin causes everyone to be out of control and to follow sinful lusts, and in the end; sin will have the last word. It's time for the Christian to leave their comfort zone and proclaim the blessings and the benefits of knowing God (Psalm 34:8-10).

Alcohol is deadly to the consumer, and the consumption of alcohol kills innocent people on our highways. Moreover, it takes billions of our tax dollars each year to correct the inequity caused by alcohol, while only taking in pennies in tax revenue.

Therefore, the Ashe Baptist Association submits a resolution in opposition to the sales and the increased availability of beer and wine sales in the city of West Jefferson. Remember what Paul said in II Corinthians 10:4 ("For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to pulling down of strongholds...").

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ALL PROGRAMS BY THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Whereas, the Ashe Baptist Association recognizes the continued need for mission work within the Association so hurting people will have their needs provided for. Every need within the whole population can be met through the participation of Pastors and Church members in Challenge 2000.

Whereas, the success of missions depends upon your prayers and your participation and the gifted abilities of key individuals working that remain nameless and to the Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn, Rev. Jesus Padilla, Pastor, and Ashe Really Cares Director, Pat Miller.

Whereas, the Ashe Baptist Association recapitulates their strong support for mission work abroad and for the continued success for missionary work being accomplished within the Hispanic mission, Ashe Really Cares, and Challenge 2000.

Be it resolved that the one hundred and sixteenth annual meeting of the Ashe Baptist Association expresses their gratitude to Friendship and Bald Mountain Baptist Churches for hosting the annual meetings, and especially to the ladies who worked so hard to prepare the wonderful meals.

Be it further resolved that we appreciate the hard work of our Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn, our Clerk, Sherry Goodman, our past Treasurer, Linda Blevins, our Moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty, our Vice Moderator, Jerry Powers, and our Secretary, Trish Church.

Finally, be it resolved that we would (our churches) continue to pray for and financially support the Ashe Baptist Association and our Baptist State Convention and other work that will assist our Churches in spreading the Gospel message of salvation Jesus Christ throughout the whole world.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Jerry Francis, Chairman
Fred Walters
Jerry South

NOTES

VBS 2002: Amazon Outfitters On Expedition with the One True God

The VBS theme this year took us on a new expedition into the Amazon Rain Forest! Our churches took on the look of tropical villages, complete with grass huts, vines, lagoons, and toucans. Our "riberenos" (river talk for all VBS learners) learned about the "One True God" as an Amazing Creator, a Miraculous Provider, a Powerful Healer, the Living Savior, and Lord of All!

I experienced God's healing power first hand, when on the Friday before the VBS Clinic was to be held on Monday night, I fell backward down a flight of stairs. Needless to say, I was unable to attend the VBS clinic. I can never thank David Blackburn and the VBS team enough for their help in completing set up at the church and for leading the clinic. Without their willingness and ability to serve, the clinic would not have been possible. I appreciate you all very much.

We had some new VBS team members this year joining our seasoned veterans of VBS and I appreciate their work. Your associational VBS team members are a dedicated group of individuals who are genuinely committed to helping your church lead a successful vacation bible school. They are a blessing to me!

I have heard many great things about our churches' vacation bible schools this year. Many people have heard the good news of Jesus. Amazon riberenos from your church and community have begun to build relationships with you and other adults. They've had a wonderful church experience. Don't let it end there! Follow-up is crucial. Sunday school visitation should focus on new members and prospects discovered through VBS. Invite prospects to fellowship services at church. Youth prospects may be invited on youth trips and other social events. All VBS leaders and Sunday school teachers should be involved in follow-up actions.

If you did not participate in VBS at your church this year, I challenge you to do so next year. Pastors, support your VBS team. VBS is a wonderful outreach event for your church and can be a great evangelistic tool. God will work and lives will be changed! The rewards are eternal!

In His Service,

Vickie Young
Associational VBS Director

VBS 2002: Amazon Outfitters
On Expedition with the One True God

VBS Motto
One God!
One Savior!
One Lord!

VBS Scripture
For the Lord your God is God of gods,
And Lord of lords, a great God.
Deuteronomy 10:17

Younger/Middle Preschool	Teshia Dillard	Laurel Knob
Older Preschool	Nancy Watson	Trinity
Younger Children	Lori Hensley	Laurel Knob
Middle Children	Debbie Smith	Warrensville
Older Children	Jeana Furches	Midway
Youth	Rev. Alan Ambrose	Bald Mountain
Adults	Tim Church	Friendship
Missions	Linda Ball	Friendship
Recreation	Larry Branch	Bald Mountain
Crafts	Linda Clark	Midway
VBS Directors	David Blackburn	DOM

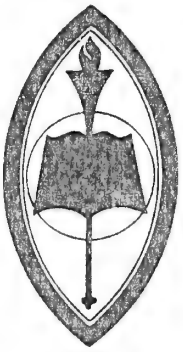
2002 VBS Report

VBS information has been received from the churches listed below. We would like to have a completed report from every church in the Association, if possible.

Church Name	Total Enrollment	Decisions to accept Christ	VBS Mission Offering
Apple Grove	57	0	Food drive
Bald Mountain	216	5	173.30
Beaver Creek	74	0	N/A
Big Flatts	58	0	$140.00
Bristol	121	4	$389.50
Friendly Grove	116	0	197.44/Food Drive
Friendship	200	16	$627.92
Glendale Springs	109	10	$326.00
Healing Springs	55	0	$162.75
Laurel Knob	47	0	$398.50
Landmark	104	0	$376.00
Little Helton	48	0	$95.00
Mission Home	82	1	$317.25
Mt. Olive	78	0	$537.47
New River	121	9	$1,605.00
Oak Hill	41	0	N/A
Obids	39	0	N/A
Phoenix	117	1	$206/Food Drive
Pleasant Home	33	0	$81.73
Round Knob	65	0	$163
Trinity	85	4	$460.00
Wagoner	27	0	$88.76
Warrensville	106	3	$85.00/Food Drive
Welcome Home	98	0	$241.71/Food drive

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Women's Missionary Union Report 2001-2002



"Beloved, thou doest faithfully whatsoever thou doest to the brethren and to strangers."
3 John 1:5
The greatest work any of us can do for another, whether old or young is to teach the soul to draw it's water from the wells of God.
F.B. Meyer

What's up with WMU ?

Well for starters, we had a good time at Christmas in July with our booth. We gave away over 55 gallons of water and 37 babies went through our baby changing station, not to mention we lost count of how many people washed their hands at our hand washing station. Most important to me though, was the dedication of volunteers, who gave out Bibles and tracks. These workers were from age 10 and up. I'm just thankful God gave us a chance to make a difference. Call me sometime, and I'll tell you how He blessed this project from the very beginning.

Our next project is set for September 7th at Bald Mountain Baptist Church, where we are excited to have Anita Renfro coming in for a Women's Conference. If you have not got your ticket, we hope you will. She's an excellent speaker, and God has blessed her with multiple talents. Thank you Bald Mountain for opening your doors to us !

And last on the agenda for the year, we will be having a Missions Fair at Friendship Baptist Church. This is still in the works, and I hope everyone will get involved. If you have been on a mission trip or know of someone who has,or is going, please contact us. We'd love to have you set up a table.

Strength and growth come only through continuous effort and struggle.
Napoleon Hill

Thanks for all your prayers and support.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mrs. Francis Blevins
Women's Missionary Union Director

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
OCTOBER 4, 2001

The regular quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association was called to order by Moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty on October 4, 2001 at the Liberty Grove Baptist Church. The congregation was led in a hymn "Are you Washed in the Blood?" by Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn, filling in for Rev. Wayne Osborne who was unable to be present.

Rev. Getty next presented a welcome and devotion taken from Acts 2: 1 and requested special prayer for Rev. Wayne Osborne's health and vision problems relating to his diabetes. Ms. Sherry Severt, Associational Clerk read the roll of the churches with a total of 29 people present representing the following churches: Bald Mountain, Beaver Creek, Calvary, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Glendale Springs, Grassy Creek, Healing Springs, Liberty Grove, Midway, Mission Home, New River, North Beaver, Old Fields, Phoenix, Pine Swamp, Round Knob, Tuckerdale, and the Hispanic Baptist Mission.

The Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of July 12, 2001 and the annual meeting of the Association held on August 17th and 18th were presented by Associational Clerk, Sherry Severt. There being no corrections or additions, the minutes were approved as presented.

Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn filling in for Treasurer, Linda Blevins who was on mission in West Virginia and unable to attend the meeting, presented the Treasurer's Report. There being no corrections or additions, the Treasurer's Report was approved as read.

Committee Reports were next on the agenda with Mrs. Pat Miller, Director of Ashe Really Cares reporting for ARC. Ms. Miller reported that the ARC had been very busy the past quarter preparing a total of 585 boxes of food, which benefited 1497 people. During the months of July, August and September, a total of 57 new clients were served. Special thanks were given to West Jefferson Elementary School for its ongoing support, most recently the 47 1st graders who came to bring in food donations to ARC. Mrs. Miller mentioned that demand for services is expected to increase as factories close and more workers are out of work. She expressed appreciation for $1000 grant given through Wal-Mart for community assistance funds and mentioned the need for additional volunteers to assist in staffing the ARC, particularly between the hours of 3-5 pm Tuesday thru Friday.

Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn next presented the report on Challenge 2000 stating that the billboard has been erected on the four-lane in Jefferson and that plans are being made for a Youth Spring Crusade, a joint effort of the Youth and Evangelism Committees of Challenge 2000. The next meeting is planned for November 1st at North Beaver Baptist Church. DOM Blackburn also noted the new demographics program SCAN US is available for use and that the mapping center has been updated with Census 2000 data.

Rev. Blackburn expressed his appreciation to Pat Miller for her continuing devotion to the work of the ARC and to Brother Glenn South and Brother Gary Miller who have been certified to pick up food from Second Harvest Food Bank. Rev. Blackburn encouraged everyone to check the associational website at abasn.homestead.com which continues to be updated by webmaster,

Brother Daniel Pugh of Clifton Baptist Church.

Rev. Blackburn next updated everyone on the West Virginia project, which is currently underway noting that he had held prayer with the group before they left for the current trip to West Virginia. The goal for this project was $8000 and the total collected to date is at $9400. Rev. Blackburn noted that a second group would be leaving soon and those interested should contact Brother Wayne Osborne.

Rev. Blackburn reported that packets were being distributed for Sunshine Sunday to be held in October as part of suicide/depression prevention and that McKamey's tickets were available for the concert to be held on October 13th. Everyone was encouraged to attend the Key Leadership Meeting to be held on October 23rd at the Friendly Grove Baptist Church. Rev. Blackburn reported that 15 of our key leaders from the association had gone to Ridgecrest for the recent training. Rev. Blackburn encouraged key leaders to attend the appreciation dinner sponsored by Baptist Hospital to be held on Thursday, November 8th at Don's Seafood, with Rev. Paul Mullen of Baptist Hospital as speaker.

Next, Brother Hank Saralegui presented a report on the Hispanic Committee of the association, reporting that a meeting was held recently on Sept 17th at the Bald Mountain Baptist Church at the request of Rev. Jesus Padilla. The mission requests to be moved to the old sanctuary at Bald Mountain Baptist Church, who had graciously agreed to provide facilities for adult worship and to integrate the Hispanic children into their classes for their own English speaking children. Brother Saralegui reported that Rev. Padilla has been very busy with holding worship services in the jail, his hospital visitation and other duties in addition to his regular job. As Chairman of the Hispanic Committee, Brother Saralegui made a motion that the Mission Cristo El Salvador be moved from its present location to the sanctuary at Bald Mountain and that the Ashe Baptist Association be made the sole sponsor of the mission, Cristo El Salvador. During discussion, Rev. David Blackburn, Director of Missions stated that he felt this would be a good stop gap measure to resolve the overcrowding problem at the current facility until the long-range goal of constructing a mission could be accomplished. Everyone was encouraged to pray about this. Following a second, the motion carried.

As to old business, a motion was made by Rev. Lawrence Goodman, seconded by Brother Hank Saralegui that Friendship Baptist Church be accepted as the site for the Friday session of the annual meeting for 2002. The motion carried.

As to new business, the sites were approved for the regular quarterly meetings of the Association for the year 2002. Upon motions made and seconded for each location, the following were approved for 2002: January- Bald Mountain, April - New River, July - Midway, October - Friendly Grove.

Next, Rev. Lawrence Goodman made am motion that the association write a letter of appreciation to Sammy Church expressing our gratitude for the use of his building for the Hispanic mission during the last two years. Motion was seconded by Rev. Jerry Francis and motion was carried.

Rev. Goodman also reported that the dental bus would be at Bald Mountain Baptist Church

on Friday and Saturday, October 19th and 20th, to be sponsored by the Medical Missions Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association. Everyone was encouraged to spread the word to those without dental insurance to call Toni Saralegui, Barb Rash, or Rev. Goodman for information and appointments. This will be on a first come, first served basis.

Rev. Goodman next mentioned a need that had come to his attention at the Ashe Alternative High School. He noted that a Christian counselor had been hired and that the school would need help to pay for these services. The counselor will among other things, provide a program on anger management. Rev. Goodman encouraged the association and churches to consider helping with these expenses and that funds could be send to the Ashe Baptist Association or to Bendena Coldiron, the Secretary/Treasurer for the Alternative High School.

Next, it was noted that Rev. Mark Davis who is no longer with the association, was named on the Youth Committee. Upon motion by Johnny Huffman, seconded by Terry Hartzog, Brother David Jones of Healing Springs Baptist Church was voted in as replacement.

Rev. Blackburn also noted that Brother Harold Jordan who had served faithfully for many years as Chairman of the Camp Committee had recently passed away. There being no volunteers to fill this position it was asked that members prayerfully consider a replacement for this position.

Rev. Jerry Francis next made a motion that the 2001 minutes be dedicated in memory of Jessie Baldwin. Following a second by Rev. Johnny Huffman, the motion carried.

Rev. Francis noted that the improvements and repairs were needed at the Campground including tables, chairs, concrete, roofing, etc. He noted the need for a new Chairman of the Campground Committee to assess these needs and recommend proper use of funds prior to the summer 2002 season.

There being no further business, motion was made and seconded to adjourn following prayer around the altar. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry G. Severt,
Associational Clerk

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
JANUARY 3, 2002

The regular quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association was held on January 3, 2002 at the Bald Mountain Baptist Church. Moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty made opening announcements including calling attention to the upcoming Minister's Conferences to be held monthly beginning January 14th. These meetings are planned as an opportunity for ministers of Ashe Baptist Association to share, enjoy fellowship and learn.

Moderator Rev. Kershaw Getty called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn led the congregational hymn "Amazing Grace". The welcome and special prayer were led by Brother Herb Rash, followed by the devotion presented by Rev. Elliott Osowitt.

Associational Clerk, Ms. Sherry Severt read the roll call of churches with a total of twenty-two in attendance representing the following twelve churches: Bald Mountain, Calvary, Clifton, Fletcher Memorial, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Healing Springs, Liberty Grove, Midway, Mission Home, New River and the Hispanic Baptist Mission.

The minutes of the October 2001 meeting of the Executive Committee were presented. Following discussion and clarification, the minutes were approved as presented.

In the absence of treasurer, Mrs. Linda Blevins, Rev. David Blackburn, Director of Missions, presented the Treasurer's Report. Rev. Blackburn commented that receipts were down slightly probably due to the recent economic downturn and also noted that the line item labeled "wages" for Director of Missions was not a net figure but actually includes expenses paid including insurance, retirement, utilities, etc. There being no corrections or additions, the report was approved as presented.

Next on the agenda was a special report on the Ashe Alternative School presented by Dr. Mark Goodman, Principal of the school. In summary, Dr. Goodman reported that the school which began in August 2000 with 19 students as a result of a state mandate for all counties to have an alternative school program has grown to currently 45 students, 3 teachers, and other staff. The program is therapeutic in nature and is designed to meet its initial mandate of lowering the dropout rate in Ashe County. Dr. Goodman noted that the Community Support team includes many local ministers and is open to the public. He further encouraged churches to participate in school activities as a method of outreach and home missions, noting that most students are completely unchurched. Noting particular areas of need, Dr. Goodman suggested three programs whereby area churches might contribute to the

school and reach out to the students. First the Safe House program where Christian homes are opened on a short-term basis to house students in particular crisis or need situations. Secondly, by Christian couples offering Weekend Retreats for small groups of students. He noted that these would be excellent opportunities for witnessing to students. Thirdly, the potential for Religious Instruction programs where churches could organize outings for students to be picked up from school and taken to local churches for religious instruction was presented. Dr. Goodman noted that participation in all of these is completely voluntary for students, therefore, not in conflict with separation of church and state requirements. Dr. Goodman encouraged all interested to contact the school for further information and responded to questions from the congregation.

Next, Mrs. Pat Miller, Director of Ashe Really Cares reported on the activities of ARC for the previous quarter, noting that 624 food boxes had been given out, benefiting 1583 people, with a total of 43 new clients receiving services during the quarter. Mrs. Miller thanked churches and individuals who provided particular assistance during the holidays enabling several families to receive complete turkey dinners and Christmas gifts during the holiday season. She further reported that West Jefferson School had collected 96 boxes of cereal during the month of December which was delivered to ARC by the 5th grade class and that Mtn. View School was also contributing. A representative of Wal-Mart had delivered a check in the amount of $1200 for ARC, although the grant previously mentioned had not been received. ARC is currently renting the adjoining space previously occupied by the Hispanic Baptist Mission and has outgrown its current space. Several churches had come to ARC for tours and a presentation on Wednesday evenings this quarter. Mrs. Miller thanked everyone for their support and asked that churches ask for additional volunteers who could assist with sorting clothing, preparing food boxes, etc.

Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn next introduced a new minister, Rev. Steve Leashomb who has accepted the call to pastor Midway Baptist Church. Brother Chris Parris was welcomed as the new minister of Youth at Friendship Baptist Church, and Rev. Allen Ambrose was welcomed as the new Youth Minister at Bald Mtn. Baptist Church.

DOM Blackburn also encouraged those interested to attend the next meeting of the Ashe Really Cares Committee to be held this coming Monday. Regarding Challenge 2000, Rev. Blackburn called attention to the new billboard on Hwy. 221 and reported that the next meeting of the Challenge 2000 Committee is to be held on January 27th at Old Fields Baptist Church. Scan US program is available for use by the churches as is the Mapping Center 2000 which includes the latest information from the 2000 Census. Planning is underway for a Spring Youth Revival.

As to the West Virginia project, DOM Blackburn reported that $10,500 had

been raised, exceeding the $8000 goal and that at least 15 mission teams had been sent to the area. He noted that Brother Freddy Walters and Brother Herb Rash had helped spearhead this effort at part of Brotherhood outreach.

Rev. Blackburn expressed appreciation to Brother Daniel Pugh, webmaster for his assistance in updating the ABA website and encouraged everyone to check out the site.

On behalf of Rev. Wayne Osborne, who was unable to attend, Rev. Blackburn requested additional funding for the Associational Choir to purchase new music. It was noted that the music department was out of funds due to late filing of expenses in 2001 and that the choir had been very successful at the past annual meeting and also singing this program in local churches as well as several presentations of the Christmas Cantata. Plans are underway for the 2002 Associational Annual Meeting. Motion was made to approve funding in the amount of $678 on behalf of the Music Committee and the motion was carried.

Next, Rev. Jesus Padilla presented a wonderful report from the Hispanic Baptist Mission noting that 63 people had been saved in November and December as a result of this ministry. He expressed appreciation on behalf of his congregation for the use of the old sanctuary at Bald Mtn. Baptist Church. Moderator Rev. Kershaw Getty encouraged everyone to attend one of the Hispanic Missions' worship services noting that he had recently attended and received a blessing in spite of the language barriers.

Rev. Getty again encouraged everyone to attend the upcoming Ministers Conferences and called for any old or new business. There being none, a motion was made by Rev. Jerry Francis to adjourn. Rev. Elliott Osowitt seconded motion and the meeting was adjourned following altar prayer led by Rev. David Grinnell.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Goodman Severt,
Associational Clerk

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
APRIL 4, 2002

The regular quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association was held on April 4, 2002, at the New River Baptist Church. Moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Rev. Johnny Goodman made the motion to amend the agenda in order for Mrs. Linda Blackburn to take the minutes in the absence of Ms. Sherry Severt. Rev. David Jones seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Rev. David Blackburn, DOM led the congregational hymn, "Amazing Grace." The welcome and special prayer were led by Rev. Wayne Jones, followed by the devotions presented by Rev. Wayne Jones. Devotional message was read from Ephesians 2:4-10, Rev. Jones spoke on how we are God's workmanship created in Christ Jesus, not by works but by grace through faith.

Mrs. Linda Blackburn read the roll call of the churches with a total of forty in attendance representing the following 18 churches: Beaver Creek, Calvary, Fletcher Memorial, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Grassy Creek, Healing Springs, Landmark, Liberty Grove, Little Helton, Mission Home, Mount Olive, New River, North Beaver, Old Fields, Pleasant Home, Warrensville, and Welcome Home.

The minutes of the January 2002 meeting of the Executive Committee were presented. Following discussion and clarification, the minutes were approved as presented.

In the absence of treasurer, Mrs. Linda Blevins, Rev. David Blackburn, Director of Missions, presented the Treasurer's Report. There being no corrections or additions, the report was approved as presented.

First on the agenda for committee reports was an update on upcoming events planned by the Associational WMU, presented by Mrs. Francis Blevins, Associational WMU Director. They have three big events planned, the first one planned is to have a tent set-up at the Christmas in July festival with free water, tracks, and scriptures that will allow folks an opportunity to sit in the shade for a moment too. Brother Fred Walters, Associational Brotherhood Director, has committed to help with the tent set-up. The second event planned is in September; it will be a Women's Conference with Anita Renfroe as the keynote speaker. Mrs. Blevins asked for help from the churches to encourage women to attend. The third event is planned for October, which will be a missions fair to be held at Friendship Baptist Church.

Next, Mrs. Pat Miller, Director of Ashe Really Cares, reported on the activities of the ARC for the previous quarter, noting that 672 food boxes were given out benefiting 1665 people, with a total of 37 new clients receiving services during the quarter. They were also able to give away 8 Bibles to clients coming in. Mrs. Miller thanked all the

churches and individuals who help out and mentioned that she had two churches that came in and brought food and some that stocked the shelves. She mentioned that the Boy Scouts have helped out the mission again this year. Curves for Women, an exercise club in West Jefferson, brought in 1,800 pounds of food to the ARC. Wal-Mart gave extra eggs and Mike Jones, manager of Food Lion in Jefferson, brought in ice cream. Jodi Burke from the Project Challenge brought some folks in to do some community service work, they marked through bar codes on the food and helped out in other areas as well. Second Harvest Food Bank came to the ARC and did an inspection and the facilities passed. In March 2002, Mrs. Miller, Rev. David Blackburn, and Mr. Jim Ketner went to visit the Hale Mission in Elizabethon, TN, to get some new ideas on how the ARC can better serve the community. Mrs. Miller asked the ministers present to encourage their youth groups to wash and wax the ARC van. She concluded her report by expressing her many thanks to all the churches and all of the volunteers.

The Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn next introduced and welcomed a new minister, Rev. Derek Hodges, who has accepted the call to pastor Mission Home Baptist Church. Rev. Blackburn then announced other new ministers to the association as Rev. Elliott Osowitt as the new Pastor at Phoenix Baptist Church and Rev. Chad Leatherman as the new Youth & Music Minister at Friendly Grove Baptist Church.

Rev. David Blackburn, DOM, then expressed thanks to Fletcher Memorial and to Friendship Baptist Churches for allowing the Alternative School to use their churches for classes held there during a nine-week study. He also expressed thanks to the different churches that have provided lunches to the young men and girls. Then he shared with them that any church that would like to provide lunch for the school, that there are three dates available in April.

The Associational VBS clinic was held on April 1, 2002, and DOM Blackburn shared with everyone that over 100 folks showed up for the clinic. He requested prayer for Vickie Young, the Associational VBS Director, who had fallen and injured herself and was unable to attend the clinic. Overall, the VBS clinic was a great success!

Rev. David Blackburn, DOM, then reported on the Challenge 2000 Youth Crusade that took place in March 2002. There were over 825 people in attendance for both nights and there were many commitments made on each night. The revival was a success! The next meeting for the Challenge 2000 committee will be April 11, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. at Friendship Baptist Church. The Challenge 2000 will close in October 2002.

With all the revivals coming up this spring, Rev. David Blackburn, DOM, asked that everyone remember to pray for these revivals and for him as he has four scheduled over the next couple of months. He also asked that everyone pray about the Board of Education's new policy on religion. He is currently looking into the policies and procedures.

Next, Rev. Roger Newton, Chaplain at Hospice of Ashe, gave a report for Hospice. Rev. Newton reported that they have 10 to 15 patients they are serving as

well as the patients' families. He shared how a lot of support is coming from the churches, that $3,800 was received in memorial and gifts and that a large majority is from the Baptist. Hospice has a camp coming up in July, for children ages' 6-13 dealing with the loss of a deceased family member. Transportation will be provided for the camp. Another camp scheduled to be held at the Hospice office in Ashe on April 20th from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. for youth suffering a loss. They will also provide a free teleconference on April 24th, from 1-4 p.m., to assist pastors or others working with the loss of life and grievance. They will also have a Golf Tournament for the grievance of the elderly on June 14th, cost $50 per person or $200 per team.

Mr. Jim Ketner reported on the Nominating Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association. The following people have been nominated for election to serve as key leaders of the Ashe Baptist Association 2002-2003 year: Moderator - Mr. Jerry Powers, Treasurer - Mrs. Linda Blevins, Clerk – Ms. Sherry Severt, Youth Director – Rev. Alan Ambrose, Discipleship Training Director – Mrs. Linda Blackburn, Brotherhood Director – Mr. Fred Walters, Evangelism Chairperson – Ms. Willa Dean Church, Music Director – Rev. Wayne Osborne, Seminary Extension Director – Rev. Ray Minton, WMU Director – Mrs. Francis Blevins, Deacon Ministry Director – Rev. Allen Huffman, Sunday School Director – Rev. Jim Ketner. This was voted all in favor and the committee made a motion to second.

Rev. Kershaw Getty called for any old or new business. Rev. David Blackburn, DOM expressed his appreciation to Rev. Getty for his service as moderator for the Ashe Baptist Association for the past two years. Rev. Getty, Moderator, made final personal comments and then there being no other business, a motion was made by Rev. Jack Miller to adjourn. Brother Walter Pugh seconded motion and the meeting was adjourned following altar prayer.

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

MINUTES OF THE CALLED MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION APRIL 29, 2002

A called meeting of the Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association was held on April 29, 2002 at the Friendly Grove Baptist Church. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the proposed sale of beer and wine in restaurants in the town of West Jefferson.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty. Bro. Daniel Pugh led the congregation in a hymn "Showers of Blessing" accompanied by Rev. Wayne Osborne on piano. Following the hymn, Rev. Jerry Francis, pastor of Friendly Grove Baptist Church welcomed the group and led in prayer. Rev. Francis presented a devotion from 2nd Chronicles 7:14.

Following the devotion, clerk, Ms. Sherry Goodman, took the roll call of the churches. A total of 46 people were present representing 23 churches.

Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn next presented comments regarding the Bible's instructions for God's people. He presented Rev. Mark Creech, Director of the Christian Action League of North Carolina. Rev. Creech presented statistics on the number of Americans affected by alcohol including that 8% of all Americans adults are alcoholics and 3.3 million teenagers are alcoholics. Rev. Creech read scripture from Proverbs 20:1 on the topic "Wine is a mocker" and presented a number of arguments that proponents of beer/wine sales can be expected to promote. These include the need for tax revenues, enhancement of economic growth, attraction of fine restaurants to the area, and attraction of new industry. For each of these, Rev. Creech presented facts and figures illustrating that each point is either completely false or is offset by the negative consequences of beer/wine sales.

Rev. Creech noted that the fight to defeat the proponents will be a difficult one and suggested that the campaign must be organized and well run. His suggestions included deciding on a name for the organization, registering the name with the Board of Elections as a Political Action Committee, obtaining a list of registered voters, setting up a contact committee to contact all these voters to ascertain their stand on this issue. He indicated that getting addresses for all no votes and insuring that these folks get to the polls is crucial to winning the campaign. Rev. Creech suggested that all procedures

taken by the group must follow campaign-reporting guidelines, including those for collecting and reporting campaign contributions. He suggested the following committees be formed and that chairs for each committee be determined as soon as possible: Executive Committee (Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer), Prayer Committee, Telephone/Contact Committee, Voter Registration Committee, Transportation Committee, Volunteers Committee, Youth Committee, Publicity Committee. Rev. Creech further suggested that a date be set for the next meeting and that an offering be taken.

Next, Brother Jim Lambert of the Christian Action League of Ashe County addressed the group regarding the battle before us. Brother Lambert pointed out that we must know whom our enemy is, if the enemy is to be defeated, and that we can expect to endure negative comments and actions from others due to our participation in this effort.

Next, the following dates were presented. June 4th deadline for the election. May 10th is the deadline for voter registration, with May 16th being the deadline for 1 stop voting. It was suggested that approximately 1300 are expected to be on the list of registered voters.

The floor was next opened for discussion from church representatives. Discussion followed on the appropriate name for the group, whether or not the term "Christian" should be included in the name, whether or not the Ashe Baptist Association itself or the Christian Action League of Ashe should be used as the vehicle for the battle against beer/wine, etc.

Following discussion, Rev. Jerry Francis made a motion that the Christian Action League of Ashe County be the committee, to be renamed if the CAL so chooses. Motion was seconded by Rev. Elliott Osowitt. The motion carried.

Secondly Rev. Steve Leashomb made a motion that that the Ashe Baptist Association back the Christian Action League both physically and financially (in whatever amount necessary) in this fight. Motion was seconded by Rev. David Jones. This motion was amended by Rev. David Blackburn to include a resolution to be issued by the Resolutions Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association in opposition to the proposed sale of beer/wine. This amendment was seconded by Rev. Steve Leashomb and the motion carried. Rev. Creech answered that the amount of money needed for the campaign is estimated at a minimum of $1.00 per registered voter, and he

recommended twice that amount or a total of $2600 to $3000.

Rev. Elliott Osowitt pledged $100 on behalf of Phoenix Baptist Church and made a motion challenging all churches to send this amount as soon as possible to the Ashe Baptist Association office for use in the campaign. The motion was seconded by Rev. Allen Combs. Rev. David Benfield, pastor of the Baptist Home Church pledged $100 on behalf of his church, although not currently members of the Ashe Baptist Association. Following discussion, it was determined that funds could be sent to the Ashe Baptist Association pending the Christian Action League taking control of these funds.

Discussion followed on the procedures for questioning the validity of registered voters, registered residents of nursing homes, absentee ballot procedures, etc.

Next, Moderator Rev. Kershaw Getty personally pledged whatever amount of money was in his pocket at the moment, and an offering was taken totally $541.00. The dated of the next meeting, to be a community wide meeting was set for next Monday, May 6th at 7:00 pm at the Friendly Grove Baptist Church. Following a motion to adjourn and second, the meeting was adjourned with altar prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry E. Goodman
Associational Clerk

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Minutes of the Executive Committee
Of the Ashe Baptist Association
July 11, 2002

The Executive Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association met for its regular quarterly meeting on July 11, 2002 at the Midway Baptist Church. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Moderator, Rev. Kershaw Getty. The congregational hymn "Are You Washed in the Blood" was led by Rev. David Blackburn, in the absence of Rev. Wayne Osborne.

The congregation was welcome by Rev. Ray Minton, on behalf of Rev. Steve Leashomb, pastor of Midway Baptist Church was out of town and unable to be present. Rev. Minton spoke from Philippians 2: 5. Rev. Kershaw Getty led opening prayer.

The roll call of the churches was taken by Sherry Goodman, Associational Clerk with the following 19 churches being represented by a total of 36 people present: Bristol, Calvary, Fletcher Memorial, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Glendale Springs, Healing Springs, Landmark, Liberty Grove, Midway, Mission Home, New River, North Beaver, Old Fields, Phoenix, Round Knob, Tuckerdale, Highlands Community Mission, and the Hispanic Baptist Mission.

Following the roll call minutes of the April 4 regular meeting and April 29 Special Called Meeting of the Executive Committee were presented. There being no corrections or additions, the minutes were approved as presented.

The Treasurer's Report was presented by Mrs. Linda Blevins, Associational Treasurer. Next, the moderator called for Committee Reports and introduced Mrs. Nancy Kautz of Ashe Memorial Hospital who presented information on the Parrish Nursing Program. This program, in operation for one year, trains registered nurses to minister and educate within the church family regarding health care related issues. Mrs. Kautz noted that volunteers are needed to serve as parrish nurses and the mission and goals of the organization relate to both the physical and spiritual health of community members.

Next, Brother Jim Lambert spoke on behalf of Christians for A Drug-Free Community reporting that the election in Jefferson for beer/wine sales and ABC store is upcoming on July 16th. He reported that letters had been sent to all registered voters, radio ads were in place, and the voter registration drive was in progress. The Committee reported $1209 remaining of donations made to the committee. A prayer vigil is to be held on July 16 at Fletcher Memorial with a prayer walk and rally also to be held at Fletcher. Poll watchers and transportation committee members will be busy on election day, and youth are needed to distribute flyers in Jefferson on the Saturday preceding the election.

Reporting for Ashe Really Cares, Mrs. Pat Miller, Director of ARC gave quarterly figures of 590 food boxes benefiting 1292 people, with 39 being new clients for the past quarter. Ms. Miller thanked the churches that had donated food and money as their mission during Vacation Bible Schools and reported a recent visit to Second Harvest Food Bank. As illustration of the great need in Ashe County for services provided by ARC, Ms. Miller told of clients coming in where husband and wife had but one pair of shoes between them and of a volunteer who came in to work on shelving whose own shoes were taped together with duct tape. Ms. Miller closed thanking everyone for their support of ARC and noting that volunteers continue to be needed to sort clothing, stock shelves and other work on behalf of Ashe Really Cares.

On behalf of the Hispanic Baptist Mission, Rev. David Blackburn, Director of Missions presented a report filling in for Rev. Lawrence Goodman who was unable to be present. He presented a proposed layout for the new Ashe Really Cares space in the Family Central complex reporting that more space will be available to the same or less cost than the current space, which has been outgrown. As to the I-140 paperwork for Rev. Jesus Padilla, Rev. Blackburn reported

that the MacKenzie Law firm was working on this along with an I-360 Religious Worker petition . Cost will be $3000 retainer for the law firm and an additional $1000 for the green card. This came in the form of a recommendation from the Hispanic Committee that the association approve this expenditure. Rev. Blackburn further reported that the Hispanic mission continues to meet in the old sanctuary at Bald Mtn Baptist Church and hopes to build their own chapel in the future.

Next, Brother Bob Neaves reported from the Financial Committee on the Treasurer position. The committee having met to discuss the situation determined that the position of treasurer should be moved back to the associational office. It was determined that this would save the association money, be more cost/time efficient and bring a higher level of accountability to the financial work and reporting of the association. The duties of treasurer would be assumed by the office assistant, adding five additional hours to her work schedule per week for a total of 35 hours. "QuickBooks Pro" software is to be purchased for the associational office to streamline the accounting procedures and a double signature policy for checks will be instituted. On behalf of the committee, Brother Neaves reported that the decision to recommend this action was made after consultation with accountants, Ashe Federal Bank, the State Convention, former Director of Missions. It was further reported that Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn, and office assistant, Trish Church were in agreement with the decision. A letter sent to current Treasurer, Linda Blevins on June 26, 2002 was read. Ms. Blevins having requested a vote on this matter by the Executive Committee, the matter was tabled until the New Business portion of the meeting.

Next, Sister Dorothy Witherspoon reported on the progress of the Hispanic Baptist Mission, noting that the mission was going well with several new members. Ms. Witherspoon also spoke on recent changes in state policy regarding separation of church and state and the local impact of these changes, from her position as a member of the Ashe County School Board. Handouts were provided on the recent state mandates indicating among other objectives, an increase in family, business, and community support of 5%. Ms. Witherspoon noted that a recent Supreme Court decision prohibited Gideons from handing out Bibles to elementary school children, considered too impressionable to make a decision to accept or reject the Bible. These decisions as well as the threat that the ACLU will uncover violations and file suit against the county, schools, and school board have resulted in stricter policies in Ashe County. However, it is still possible for individual students to hold prayer - although prayer breakfasts during school hours are prohibited. Prayer at sporting events is banned, although speeches from government leaders (which may contain a prayer) are allowed. Ms. Witherspoon encouraged churches and congregations to get involved and to encourage youth to lead in fighting the elimination of spiritual direction in our schools.

The Moderator next called for any old business. There being none, the floor was opened to new business. Upon recommendation by the Hispanic Committee to retain the services of the MacKenzie law firm and to spend up to $5000 to obtain the necessary paperwork for Rev. Jesus Padilla, the body unanimously approved the motion.

Upon recommendation of the Financial Committee to restructure the Treasurer position, adding these duties to the office assistant position, the floor was opened to discussion. In opposition, current Treasurer, Linda Blevins objected to the process by which the transition was being made referring to the bylaws of the association regarding the elected position of treasurer. There being no additional discussion, the matters was voted upon and was carried.

There being no further business, upon motion and second, the meeting was adjourned following altar prayer led by Brother David Jones.

Respectfully submitted,
Sherry E. Goodman, Associational Clerk

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION ONE HUNDRED SIXTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION
FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH
Friday Afternoon, August 16, 2002

Moderator, Mr. Jerry Powers, called the one hundred sixteenth annual session of the Ashe Baptist Association to order on August 16, 2002 at the Friendship Baptist Church.

The congregation was led in a congregational hymn, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms". Following the congregational, a welcome and devotion was led by Rev. David Grinnell, pastor of Friendship Baptist Church, on scripture taken from Matthew 14: 28-29 where Peter walked on the water. Rev. Grinnell noted that as individuals, churches, and as an association Christ calls upon us to take new steps and that we must not be afraid to get out of the boat. Pastor Grinnell noted that the flowers at the front of the sanctuary were placed in honor of the four members of Friendship Baptist Church who had passed away during the last year.

Next, Moderator, Jerry Powers turned to organizational matters including the seating of messengers who were asked to stand and be recognized and the adoption of the order of business. Motion was made by Hank Saralegui, seconded by Rev. Johnny Goodman to adopt the order of business as presented on page 11 of the Book of Reports.

Visitors were recognized including: Rev. Lloyd Fish of Baptist Children's Homes, Rev. Todd Edmiston of Fruitland Bible Institute and Rev. Lynn Sasser of the Baptist State Convention. New pastors coming into the association since the last annual meeting was recognized: Rev. Chris Goodman of Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Rev. Elliot Osowitt of Phoenix Baptist Church. Rev. Steve LeaShomb of Midway Baptist Church, Rev. Derrick Hodges of Mission Home Baptist Church, and Rev. Mace Johnson of Orion Baptist Church.

Moderator Powers next referred the congregation to page 11 of the Book of Reports noting Committees appointed annually by the Moderator. Appointed were Rev. Jerry Francis, Jerry South and Fred Walters to the Resolutions Committee. Appointed to the Preacher/Place Committee were Howard Turnmire, Harold Riddle, and Lois Bare. Any churches wishing to host next year's meetings were asked to see members of this committee or the Director of Missions.

Next in the order of business was the roll call of the churches by Associational Clerk, Ms. Sherry Goodman. At least 99 persons were present representing the following 35 churches: Bald Mountain, Beaver Creek, Blue Ridge, Bristol, Buffalo, Calvary Clifton, Fletcher Memorial, Friendly Grove, Friendship, Glendale Springs, Grassy Creek, Healing Springs, Landmark, Liberty Grove, Little Helton, Midway, Mission Home, Mount Olive, New River, North Beaver, Oak Hill, Obids, Old Fields, Orion, Peak Valley, Phoenix, Pilot Mountain, Pleasant Home, Pleasant Valley, Round Knob, Tuckerdale, Wagoner, Warrensville, Welcome Home and the Hispanic Baptist Mission.

Next member Lisa Burkett presented the history of Friendship Baptist Church. Following

the presentation, the congregation was led in song "Footsteps of Jesus", followed by a time of greeting one another and the chorus of "Holy is the Lord".

Moderator Powers next introduced Rev. Lonnie Jones, pastor of Welcome Home Baptist Church who presented the evening message on loving each other and the enjoyment and joy of being Christians with scripture from Philippians Chapter 4. Following the message, the congregation sang "Because He Lives".

Next on the agenda were various items of miscellaneous business. Moderator, Mr. Jerry Powers presented the organizational officers and administrative committees as detailed in the minute book. These recommendations were approved.

Mrs. Trish Church, who had recently taken over the treasurer position next presented the treasurer's report. There being no corrections or additions the report was approved as presented. Moderator then recognized Mr. Bob Neaves, Chairman of the Budget Committee who recognized the members of the Budget Committee and noted that the Treasurer's position had been combined with that of the Administrative Assistant explaining that this would streamline operations and result in a savings to the association. Mr. Neaves noted that overages in the current year's budget were covered by anonymous donation, and that a new item (line item I-10) was for seminary extension, a total of $2000 for expenses of the Seminary Extension Center. Voting on the budget was deferred to the Saturday morning session at its noted place on the agenda.

Reports of institutions and agencies were next on the agenda. Rev. Lloyd Fish, representative of BCM, presented information on Baptist Children's Homes. Stating that the stories he shares are of real children with real hurts, real needs, he reported that over 1855 boys and girls were given a home by Baptist Children's Homes this past year. He closed by stating churches should have already received information on the Thanksgiving offering that goes directly to Baptist Children's Homes, helping them help children in need.

Rev, Paul Mullen, representing NC Baptist Hospital next presented information on the Mother's Day offering for benevolent care that pays hospital fees for recipients in need. He told of hospital bills being paid by mission minded Baptists in the name of Jesus Christ and his love. The phone number for HEALTH ON CALL 1-800-446-2255, opt. 2 was given by Mr. Mullen encouraging anyone with needs to call. He reported on the Chaplaincy Program and the new Brenner Children's Hospital at Baptist, a state of the art facility.

The presenter from Mars Hill College being delayed, the next report was offered by Todd Edmiston of Fruitland Bible Institute who recognized all graduates of Fruitland by inviting them to stand. Everyone was invited to tour the campus and especially the Randy Kilby Library to be dedicated on 9/5/02. He spoke from Romans 1: 16/17 on not being ashamed of the gospel of Christ and noted that over 1 million dollars per year is needed to open the doors of Fruitland. Church groups or classes are invited to tour the facility and take part in the informative "fun*food*faith*fellowship" trip.

Rev. Lynn Sasser of the Baptist State Convention next reported on State Missions noted that of the money given to NC Missions offering, 10% comes back to our association. He

challenged NC Baptists to support missions noting that in the last 20 years, there has been a 36% increase in the population, with less than one-half of one percent of these being church members.

Next, Ms. Pamela Mungo, New Works Strategist for the Baptist State Convention spoke on Church Planting. She noted that reaching out to the non-churched is an ongoing effort and reported that it takes 21 touches (cards, visits, calls, etc.) on average to get a lost person to listen to the news of Jesus Christ. Ms. Mungo noted that there are four million unchurched people in North Carolina. What can we do to make a difference? Our association and our convention work to begin new churches and to help existing churches.

The next report was given by Rev. David Blackburn, Director of Missions. Speaking from Leviticus 26: 12, DOM Blackburn quoted "I will walk among you and will be your God and you shall be my people". Our DOM gave thanks that the alcohol proposals had been defeated in the Town of Jefferson and spoke of the mission work our churches were performing in West Virginia. DOM Blackburn thanked his wife Linda, the association leadership and staff, and the churches for their support of he and the association during the past year. In closing, Rev. Blackburn asked that the prayers and support continue and that the association continue to work to bring the message of Jesus Christ to the lost in our community.

Next the congregation was led in the hymn "Victory in Jesus". Bradford Lartigue, Jr. a missionary in Special Ministries with the North American Mission Board presented information on his work in ministry, having served in Montana. He noted that we are all called upon to be on mission every day.

The next report was presented by Mark Mullinax of Mars Hill College. He spoke from 1st Corinthians 3: 6-10 noting that some of us plant, some of us water but it is God who gives the growth. He introduced Miss Anna Goodman, a graduate of Mars Hill College and a 1998 graduate of Beaver Creek High School. Miss Goodman spoke of her experiences at Mars Hill College and work with the Baptist Student Union and the Christian Student Movement.

Next, missionary Brad Lartigue, Jr. presented special music including a song called "Upon the Mountain".

Rev. Steve Leashomb, pastor of Midway Baptist Church next presented the annual message on the topic of "How to Change your Church Forever", presenting scripture from John 21. Rev. Leashomb noted that when the Lord shows up.... things change and that anything we might lack, God has for us.

Following the sermon, Rev. David Grinnell led the blessing and the meeting was adjourned for the evening meal, prepared by the ladies of Friendship Baptist Church.

Following the delicious meal, the meeting was reconvened by moderator for the evening session, Rev. Jerry Francis, pastor of Friendly Grove Baptist Church. Rev. Larry Powers, pastor of Tuckerdale Baptist Church then led the congregation in prayer and presented scripture from Psalms 1:1 regarding avoiding the counsel of the ungodly. The highlight of the evening was

special singing by the associational choir, led by Daniel Pugh. Everyone was uplifted by the powerful songs and the spirit was felt by all in attendance. Choir selections included "He Could See the Cross" and "Meanwhile in the Garden".

Next, Bradford Lartigue, Jr., a Southern Baptist resort missionary currently working in Big Sky, Montana presented slides and information on his work as a resort missionary. He called upon young people to find their place in missions, noting that missions is "where it's at".

Following the sermon, Brother Fred Walters presented the benediction and the meeting was adjourned to reconvene the following morning at Bald Mountain Baptist Church.

ASHE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
ONE HUNDRED SIXTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION
BALD MOUNTAIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Saturday Morning, August 17, 2002

The 116th annual session of the Ashe Baptist Association was called to order at 9:00 am by Moderator Brother Jerry Powers at the Bald Mountain Baptist Church. Rev. Lawrence Goodman, pastor of host church, Bald Mountain, was introduced and presented the welcome and a devotion taken from John 14: 12-14. He spoke on the topic of how to pray and presented three things needed for prayer including exclusion (being alone with God), realization (face God with awe and reverence), and confidence (believe that prayers are heard and answered). Rev. Goodman then challenged the men of the association to join in 24 hours of prayer and fasting at the associational campground. He asked that all men who would come and join in and that they would pray until God blesses.

Associational Clerk, Sherry Goodman presented the roll call of the churches with 102 present representing 35 churches. It was noted that attendance was very high for the Saturday session.

A history of Bald Mountain Baptist Church was presented by Mr. Ronnie Hopkins. Moderator next asked that churches wishing to host next year's meeting please see Sister Lois Bare of the Preacher/Place Committee. Following this presentation, mission reports were given.

First Mrs. Pat Miller, Director of Ashe Really Cares reported that 2668 boxes of food were given during the past year, assisting 5932 individuals, including 208 new clients. She noted that 41,969 pounds of food had been received from the Second Harvest Food bank plus many pounds of food from private donation and local churches and stores. Sister Pat thanked the association for its prayers and support and encouraged any who could to volunteer time to serve at the ARC center.

Next, a report on medical missions was given by Rev. Lawrence Goodman on behalf of

Dr. Greg Hershner. It was noted that dental clinics are being held twice a year for those who are not able to pay for dental services. Dr. Rector has graciously allowed the use of his office. The next clinic is to be held on October 18 and anyone needing service should be directed to contact Sister Toni Saralegui. Rev. Goodman noted that medical missions are ongoing in West Virginia with 44 now signed up to go on the current trip.

Mr. Hank Saralegui next spoke on the Hispanic Mission and presented information on the success of the mission here in the county. He noted that 67 souls were saved this year, with 18 of them children. Brother Saralegui noted that Pastor Jesus Padilla has a strong jail ministry in place and thanked Bald Mountain Baptist Church for the use of their former sanctuary. Brother Saralegui introduced Rev. Jesus Padilla and his son Jesus Padilla, Jr. who presented messages in song. They sang "Bars of Red and White" and "God Bless America" in dedication to those who died in the tragedy of September 11th, 2001.

WMU (Women's Missionary Union) Director, Sister Francis Blevins presented her report on the WMU. She began by thanking all the WMU Directors, Rev. David Blackburn, Director of Missions, and Sister Trish Church, administrative assistant for their support and assistance. She invited ladies to attend the upcoming meeting with speaker, Anita Renfro to be held at Bald Mountain Baptist Church. Sister Blevins asked for volunteers to support the upcoming Missions Fair to be held in October. In closing, she said that we should not be discouraged in her missions work and told the story of the frog who kept on kicking.

The Brotherhood report was given by Director, Brother Fred Walters including information on the West Virginia Flood Project for which giving has exceeded the $8000 goal with more than $13,000 given. A tractor/trailer load of building materials including a driver, and laborers was sent to aid the victims in West Virginia. He thanked the ladies who provided the meals and offered his assistance to any churches interested in forming a Brotherhood.

Next, Sister Lynn Getty presented special music including "He Understands my Tears" and "Is the Blood Still There?". The congregation was blessed.

Rev. David Jones, Pastor of Healing Springs Baptist Church next presented the annual message on the renewing of a steadfast spirit, utilizing scripture from Psalms 51. He requested special prayer fro Brother Charles Fletcher now hospitalized in Winston-Salem as the result of an accident last night and for Brother Wayne Jones and Brother Tommy Colvard.

The next report was the Moderator's Report given by Rev. Kershaw Getty. Rev. Getty noted that he had enjoyed serving as Moderator and although not continuing in this capacity, would be glad to help in any way that he could.

Sister Linda Blackburn, next reported for the Discipleship Training. She noted that as a follower and disciple for Christ we are called up on to disciple ourselves, and then to disciple others. She noted that discipleship training was not just for Sunday nights, but included all types of Bible training, to prepare us for discipleship.

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

Reporting for the Music Committee, Rev. David Blackburn, filling in for Rev. Wayne Osborne noted that due to health problems, Rev. Osborne had asked to be replaced as director of Church Music for the association. The committee had spoken to Daniel Pugh who had led the choir so beautifully. He noted that the music used by the associational choir is available for the churches to use also. .

Rev. Jim Ketner, Director of the Sunday School committee presented his report noting that the schedule for state convention training has been changed. Training dates at Camp Caraway are scheduled for September 13, 14, 20, 21 with training in Jonesville at Mineral Springs Baptist Church scheduled for October 22nd.

Rev. Bill Ballou next presented the Historian Report reflecting the history of the Ashe and Alleghany Association and the division into separate associations for the two counties in 1887.

A report on the Ashe Baptist Associational Campground was presented by Rev. Rick Cornejo. Rev. Cornejo thanked everyone for his or her contributions to the work that has been done at the campground this year. He reported that a new closet had been constructed at the Mattie Parsons Memorial Building, stocked with cleaning supplies.

Rev. Jerry Francis next reported on the Southern Baptist Annuity, an excellent retirement program. Rev. Francis stated that only 30% of churches in our association are currently participating. He will be attending Key Leadership Training on September 6th and will bring back new information to share with the churches.

Rev. Alan Ambrose presented the Youth Council Report. Rev. Ambrose reported that 850 youth had attended the Challenge 2000 Youth Rally and that 26 were saved. He encouraged all churches to work together to reach our young people.

Sister Vickie Young presented the Vacation Bible School report noting that area churches had very successful programs this year. She thanked everyone: the Director of Missions, assistant Trish Church and others for their hard work and encouraged all pastors to attend the VBS clinic for the upcoming year. All churches were encouraged to hold VBS and to contact Sister Young for assistance and information.

Brother Delmas Parker presented a report on behalf of the Christian Action League. Brother Parker noted that this was his 17th year to speak at the annual meeting of our association and encouraged everyone to take a stand on these important issues - our children are watching. He gave thanks to God for the victory over alcohol in Jefferson.

Sister Peggy Hoefl and Sister Vera Zapcic presented the report on Ashe Pregnancy Center quoting statistics that 41 million babies had been aborted since 1978. Reading from Deuteronomy 13: 19, Sister Hoefl encouraged everyone to choose life. She encouraged pastors to take a firm

stand on the issue of premarital sex and to encourage teens to practice abstinence, and waiting for their marriage partner. Sister Hoefl and Sister Zapcic thanked everyone for their support of the Pregnancy Center.

Brother Sidney Allen next presented a report for Gideons International on behalf of the Jefferson camp. He reported that there are currently 152,000 Gideons in 175 countries speaking 80 languages. Of these 63,000 are in foreign countries. He thanked everyone for his or her support of Gideons International and reminded us that the Bible says Gods word will not return void. Brother Allen reported that Ashe County ranks #5 in the nation in providing funds for Bibles.

Brother Bob Neaves spoke on behalf of the Challenge 2000 project reminding everyone that three years ago in October, Challenge 2000 began with our Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn's vision. On behalf of the committee he urged each church to pray that the outreach will continue. Challenge 2000 has resulted in the 26 souls saved at the Youth Rally, a billboard being placed and that the committee currently has $533.84 in funds on hand.

The business session followed with the first item of business being the adoption of the annual budget of the association, which had been previously presented. There being no changes or corrections from the floor, the budget was approved as presented upon recommendation of the Budget/Finance Committee.

As to other business, Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn was recognized. Rev. Blackburn noted that the "On Mission Celebration", previously known as the World Mission Conference is now held over a four or five day period. He requested permission from the body to expend the required funds to get information from the Baptist State Convention and the North American Mission Board to provide to association churches. Upon motion from Rev. Lawrence Goodman, seconded by Rev. Wayne Jones, the request was approved.

The moderator recognized Brother Jim Ketner who, on behalf of the Nominating Committee presented the name of Daniel Pugh to the position of Director of Associational Music. Following a second by Sister Toni Saralegui, the motion was carried.

Brother Ketner next made a motion that the minute book of the association be dedicated in memory of Brother Don Goodman and Brother Jim Vannoy, both long-time participants in the association and in honor of Brother Howard Blackburn of Pine Swamp. Following second by Brother Fred Walters, the motion carried. Director of Missions, Rev. David Blackburn commented that other nominations can be made at the next Executive Committee meeting in time to produce the minute book.

Next, Rev. Jerry Francis of the Resolutions Committee was recognized. He stood to encourage the association to work together on mission projects. On behalf of the Resolutions Committee, proposals were : opposition to the beer and wine sales in Ashe County. Resolution to thank membership of Friendship Baptist Church and Bald Mountain Baptist Church for hosting

the 2002 annual meeting, and resolution expressing appreciation to our Director of Missions- Rev,. David Blackburn, Trish Church- administrative assistant, Sherry Goodman- Associational clerk, and Brother Jerry Powers- moderator for their work on the annual meeting.

It was determined that the Preacher/Place Committee continue to seek host churches for next year's annual meeting..

Rev. Bill Ballou next conducted the memorial service reading aloud the names of members of association churches who had passed away during the past year. The congregation stood in honor of those members as the names were read.

Rev. Jerry Francis made a motion that the session adjourn following the meal. Following a second by Rev. Johnny Goodman, the motion carried. Rev. Lawrence Goodman then introduced Rev. Jesus Padilla who blessed the food. The offering taken to assist Pine Swamp Baptist Church with their building project was counted, resulting in a total offering of $496.

A delicious lunch followed, prepared by the ladies of Bald Mtn. Baptist Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry E. Goodman
Associational Clerk

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1. We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three Persons in the God-head; the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.
2. We believe that the Bible, the Old and New Testament, is the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.
3. We believe in the impotency of man and the sovereignty of God.
4. We believe that Salvation is by Grace through Faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.
5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus to be practiced only by believers in their spiritual order.
6. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that those who are thus baptized and are in fellowship with the church in feeling and doctrine should take the Lord's Supper.
7. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace and Glory.
8. We believe in a separate resurrection and judgment, both for the righteous, and unrighteous dead.
9. We believe that the existence of the righteous and the wicked will both be of eternal duration, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will both be eternal.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, and on profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now, in the presence of God, angels and the assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into this covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness and comfort to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain worship, ordinances, discipleship and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church and the relief of the poor; and the spread of the Gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealing, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger, to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense but always ready for reconciliation; and mindful of the rule of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word

Addendum I - ARTICLES OF FAITH
(The Baptist Faith and Message as adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1963)

Baptists are a people who profess a living faith. This faith is rooted and grounded in Jesus Christ who is "the same yesterday and today and forever." Therefore the sole authority for faith and practice among Baptists is Jesus Christ whose will is revealed in the Holy Scriptures.

A living faith must experience a growing understanding of truth and must be continually interpreted and related to the needs of each new generation. Through out their history Baptist bodies, both large and small, have issued statements of faith, which comprise a consensus of their beliefs. Such statements have never been regarded as complete, infallible statements of faith, nor as official creeds carrying mandatory authority. Thus this generation of Southern Baptists is in historic succession of intent and purpose as it endeavors to state for its time and theological climate those articles of the Christian faith, which are most surely held among us.

Baptists emphasize the soul's competency before God, freedom in religion, and the priesthood of the believer. However, this emphasis should not be interpreted to mean that there is an absence of certain doctrines that Baptists believe, cherish, and with which they have been and are now closely identified.

It is the purpose of this statement of faith and message to set forth certain teachings, which we believe.

THE SCRIPTURES

The Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is the record of God's revelation of Himself to many. It is a perfect treasure of divine instruction. In has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter.

Ex. 24:4; Deut. 4:1-2; 17:19; Josh. 8:34; Psalm 19:7-10; 119: 11, 89; 105; 140. It reveals the principles by which God judges us; and therefore is, and will remain to the end of the world, the true center of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds, and religious opinions should be tried. The criterion by which the Bible is to be interpreted is Jesus Christ.
Isa. 34:16; 40:8; Jer. 15:16; 36; Matt. 5:17-18; 22-29; Luke 21:33, 44-46; John 5:39; 16:13-15; 17:17; Acts 2:16 ff; 17:11; Rom. 15:4; 16: 25-26; 2 Tim. 3:15-17; Heb. 1:1-2; 4:12; I Peter 1:25; 2 Peter 1:25; 2 Peter 1:19-21.

GOD

There is one and only one living and true God. He is an intelligent, spiritual, and personal Being, the Creator, Redeemer, Preserver, and Ruler of the Universe. God is infinite in holiness and all other perfections. To Him we owe the highest love, reverence, and obedience. The eternal God reveals Himself to us a Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, with distinct personal attributes, but without division of nature, essence, or being.

GOD THE FATHER

God as Father reigns with providential care over his universe, His creatures and the flow of the stream of human history according to the purpose of His grace. He is all powerful, all loving, and all wise, God is Father in truth to those who become children of God through faith in Jesus Christ. He is fatherly in His attitude toward all men.

Gen. 1:1, 2:7; Ex. 3:14, 6:2-3, 15:11ff, 20:1ff; Lev. 22:2; Deut. 6:4, 32:6; I Chron. 29:10; Psalm 19:1-3; Isa. 43:3, 15, 64:8; Jer. 10:10, 17:3; Matt. 6:9 ff, 7:11, 23:9, 28:19; Mark 1:9-11; John 4:24, 5:26, 14:6-13, 17:1-8; Acts 1:7; Rom. 8:14-15; I Cor. 8:6; Gal. 4:6; Eph. 4:6; Col. 1:15; I Tim. 1:17; Heb. 11:6, 12:9; I Peter 1:17; I John 5:7.

GOD THE SON

Christ is the eternal Son of God. In His incarnation as Jesus Christ he was conceived of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. Jesus perfectly revealed and did the will of God, taking upon Himself the demands and necessities of human nature and identifying Himself completely yet without sin. He was raised from the dead with a glorified body and appeared to His disciples as the person who was with them before His crucifixion. He ascended into Heaven and is now exalted at the right hand of God where he is the One Mediator, partaking of the nature of God and of man and whose Person is effected the reconciliation between God and man. He will return in power and glory to judge the world and to consummate His redemptive mission. He now dwells in all believers as the living and ever present Lord.

Gen. 18:1 ff; Psalm 2:7ff, 110:1ff; Isa. 7:14; 53; Matt. 1:18-23; 3:17, 8:29, 11:27, 14:33, 16:16, 27, 17:5, 27, 28: 1-6,19; Mark 1:1, 3:11; Luke 1:35, 4:41, 22:70, 24:46; John 1:1-18, 29, 10:30, 38, 11:25-27, 12:44-50, 14:7-11, 16:15-16, 28, 17:1-5, 21-22, 20:1-20, 28; Acts 1:9, 2:22-24, 7:55-56, 9:4-5, 20; Rom. 1:3-4, 3:23-26, 5:6-21, 8:1-3, 34, 10:4; I Cor. 1:30, 2:2, 8:6, 15:1-8, 24-28; 2 Cor. 5:19-21; Gal. 4:4-5; Eph. 1:20, 3:11, 4:7-10; Phil. 2:5-11; Col. 1:13-22, 2:9; I Thes. 4:14-18; I Tim. 2:5-6, 3:16; Titus 2:13-14; Heb. 1:1-3, 4:14-15, 7:14-28, 9:12-15, 24-24, 12:2, 13:8; I Peter 2:21-25, 3: 22; I John 1:7-9, 3:2, 4:14-15, 5:9; II John 7-9; Rev. 1:13-16, 5:9-14, 12:10-11, 13:8, 19: 16.

GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God. He inspired holy men of old to write the scriptures. Through illumination He enables men to understand truth. He exalts Christ. He convicts of sin, of righteousness and of judgment. He calls men to the Savior, and effects regeneration. He cultivates Christian character, comforts believers, and bestows the spiritual gifts by which they serve God through His church. He seals the believers unto the day of final redemption. His presence in the Christian is the assurance of God to bring the believers into the fullness of the stature of Christ. He enlightens and empowers the believer and the church in worship, evangelism, and service.

Gen. 1:2; Judges 14:6; Job 26:13; Psalm 51:11; 139:7ff; Isa. 61:1-3; Joel 2:28-32; Matt. 1:18, 3:16, 4:1, 12:28-32, 28:19; Mark 1:10, 12, Luke 1:35, 4:1, 18-19, 11:13, 12:12, 24-49; John 4:24, 14:16-17, 26, 15:26, 16:7-14; Acts 1:8, 2:1-4, 38, 4:31, 5:3, 6:3, 7:55, 8:17, 39, 10:44, 13:2, 15:28, 16:6, 19:1-6; Rom. 8:9-11, 14-16, 26-27; I Cor. 2:10-14, 3:16, 12:3-11; Gal. 4:6; Eph. 1:13-14, 4:30, 5:18; I Thes. 5:19; I Tim. 3:16, 4:1; 2 Tim. 1:14, 3:16; Heb. 9:8, 14; 2 Peter 1:21; I John 4:13, 5:6-7; Rev. 1: 10, 22:17.

MEN

Man was created by the special act of God, in his own image, and is the crowning work of His creation. In the beginning man was innocent of sin and was endowed by His Creator with freedom of choice. By his free choice man sinned against God and brought sin into the human race. Through the temptation of Satan man transgressed the command of God, and fell from his original innocence; whereby his posterity inherit a nature and an environment inclined toward sin, and as soon as they are capable of moral action become transgressors and are under condemnation. Only the grace of God can bring man into His holy fellowship and enable man to fulfill the creative purpose of God. The sacredness of human personality is evident in that God created man in His own image, and in that Christ died for man; therefore, every man possesses dignity and is worthy of respect and Christian love.

Gen. 1:26-30, 2:5,7, 18-22, 3:6-9; Psalm 1; 8:3-6, 32:1-5, 51:5; Isa. 6:5; Jer. 17:5; Matt. 16:26; Acts 17:26-31; Rom. 1:19, 32, 3:10-18, 23, 5:6, 12, 19, 6:6, 7:14-18; I Cor. 1:21-31, 15:19, 21-22; Eph. 2:1-22, 3:9-11.

SALVATION

Salvation involves the redemption of the whole man, and is offered freely to all who accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, who by His own blood obtained eternal redemption for the believer. In its broadest sense salvation includes regeneration, sanctification, and glorification.

A. Regeneration, or the new birth, is a work of God's grace whereby believers become new creatures in Christ Jesus. It is a change of heart wrought by thee Holy Spirit through conviction of sin, to which the sinner responds in repentance toward God, and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Repentance and faith are inseparable experiences of grace. Repentance is a genuine turning from sin toward God. Faith is the acceptance of Jesus Christ and commitment of the entire personality to Him as Lord and Savior. Justification is God's gracious and full acquittal upon principles of His righteousness of all sinners who repent and believe in Christ. Justification brings the believer into a relationship for peace and favor with God.

B. Sanctification is the experience, beginning in regeneration, by which the believer is set apart to God's purposes, and is enabled to progress toward moral and spiritual perfection through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit dwelling in him. Growth in grace should continue throughout the regenerate person's life.

C. Glorification is the culmination of salvation and is the final blessed and abiding state of the redeemed.

Gen. 3:15; Ex. 3:14-17, 6:2-8; Matt. 1:21, 4:17, 16:21-26, 27:22 to 28:6; Luke 1:68-69, 2: 28-32; John 1:11-14, 29, 3:3-21, 36, 5:24, 10:9, 28-29, 15:1-16, 17:17; Acts 2:21, 4:12, 15:11, 16:30-31, 17:30-31, 20:32; Rom. 1:16-19, 2:4, 3:23-25, 4:3ff, 5:8-10, 6:1-23, 8:1-18, 29-39, 10:9-10, 13, 13:11-14; I Cor. 1:18, 30, 6:19-20, 15:10; 2 Cor. 5:17-20; Gal. 2:20, 3:13, 5:22-25, 6:15; Eph. 1:7, 2:8-22, 4:11-16; Phil. 2:12-13; Col. 1:9-22, 3:1ff; I Thes. 5:23-24; 2 Tim. 1:12; Titus 2:11-14; Heb. 2:1-3, 5:8-9, 9:24-28, 11:1-12:8, 14; James 2:14-16; I Peter 1:2-23; I John 1:6 to 2:11; Rev. 3:21, 21:1 to 22:5.

GOD'S PURPOSE AND GRACE

Election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which He regenerates, sanctifies, and glorifies sinners. It is consistent with the free agency of man, and comprehends all the means in connection with the end. It is a glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, and is infinitely wise, holy, and unchangeable. It excludes boasting and promotes humility.

All true believers endure to the end. Those whom God has accepted in Christ, and sanctified by His Spirit, will never fall away from the state of grace, but shall persevere to the end. Believers may fall into sin through neglect and temptation, whereby they grieve the Spirit, impair their graces and comforts, bring reproach on the cause of Christ, and temporal judgments on themselves, yet they shall be kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

Gen. 12:1-3; Ex. 19:5-8; I Sam. 8:4-7, 19-22; Isa. 5:1-7; Jer. 31:31ff; Matt. 16:18-19, 21:28-45, 24:22, 31, 25:34; Luke 1:68-79, 2:29-32, 19:41-44, 24:44-48; John 1:12-14, 3:16, 5:24, 6:44-45, 65, 10:27-29, 15:16, 17:6, 12, 17-18; Acts 20:32; Rom. 5:9-10, 8:28-39, 10: 12-15, 11:5-7, 26-36; I Cor. 1:1-2, 15:24-28; Eph. 1:4-23, 2:1-10, 3:1-11; Col. 1:12-14; 2 Thes. 2:13-14; 2 Tim. 1:12, 2:10, 19; Heb. 11:39-12:2; I Peter 1:2-5, 13, 2:4-10; I John 1:7-9, 2:19, 3:2

THE CHURCH

A New Testament church of the Lord Jesus Christ is a local body of baptized believers who are associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the gospel, observing the two ordinances of Christ, committed to His teachings, exercising the gifts, and privileges invested in them by His word, and seeking to extend the gospel to the ends of the earth.

This church is an autonomous body, operating through democratic processes under the Lordship of Jesus Christ. In such a congregation members are equally responsible. Its Scriptural officers are pastors and deacons.

The New Testament speaks also of the church as the body of Christ, which includes all of the redeemed of all ages.

Matt. 16:15-19, 18:15-20; Acts 2:41-42, 47, 5:11-14, 6:3-6, 13:1-3, 14:23,27, 15:1-30, 16:5, 20:28; Rom. 1:7; I Cor. 1:2, 3:16, 5:4-5,7:17, 9:13-14; 12; Eph. 1:22-23, 2:19-22, 3:8-11, 21, 5:22-32; Phil. 1:1; Col. 1:18; I Tim. 3:1-15, 4:14; I Peter 5:1-4; Rev. 2-3, 21:2-3.

BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. It is an act of obedience, obedience whereby members of the church through partaking of the bread and the fruit of the vine, memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming. Symbolizing the believer's faith in a crucified and risen Savior the believer's death to sin, the burial of the old life, and in the resurrection to walk in newness of life in Christ Jesus. It is a testimony to his faith in the final resurrection of the dead. Being a church ordinance, it is prerequisite to the privilege of church membership and to the Lord's Supper.

BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S SUPPER (continued)

The Lord's Supper is a symbolic act of obedience whereby members of the church through partaking of the bread and the fruit of the vine, memorialize the death of the Redeemer and anticipate His second coming.

Matt. 3:13-17, 26:26-30, 28:19-20; Mark 1:9-11, 14:22-26; Luke 3:21-22, 22:19-20, John 3:23; Acts 2:41-42, 8: 35-39, 16:30-33, 20:7; Rom. 6:3-5; I Cor. 10:16, 21, 11:23-29; Col. 2:12

THE LORD'S DAY

The first day of the week is the Lord's Day. It is a Christian institution for regular observance. It commemorates the resurrection of Christ from the dead and should be employed in exercises of worship and spiritual devotion, both public and private, and by refraining from worldly amusements, and resting from secular employment, work of necessity and mercy only being excepted.

Ex. 20:8-11; Matt. 12:1-12, 28:1 ff, Mark 2:27-28, 16:1-7; Luke 24:1-3, 33-36; John 4:21-24, 20:1, 19-28; Acts 20:7; I Cor. 16:1-2; Col. 2:16, 3:16; Rev. 1:10.

THE KINGDOM

The Kingdom of God includes both His general sovereignty over the universe and His particular kingship over men who willfully acknowledge Him as King. Particularly the Kingdom is the realm of salvation into which men enter by trustful, childlike, commitment to Jesus Christ. Christians ought to pray and to labor that the Kingdom may come and God's will be done on earth. The full consummation of the Kingdom awaits the return of Jesus Christ and the end of this age.

Gen. 1:1; Isa. 9:6-7; Jer. 23:5-6; Matt. 3:2, 4:8-10, 23, 12:25-28, 13:1-52, 25:31-46, 26:29; Mark 1:14-15, 9:1; Luke 4: 43, 8:1, 9:2, 12:31-32, 17:20-21, 23:42; John 3:3, 18-36; Acts 1:6-7, 17:22-31; Rom. 5:17, 8:19; I Cor. 15:24-28; Col. 1:13; Heb. 11:10,16, 12:28; I Peter 2:4-10, 4:13; Rev. 1:6,9, 5:10, 11:15, 21-22

LAST THINGS

God, in His own time and in His own way, will bring the world to its appropriate end. According to His promise, Jesus Christ will return personally and visibly in glory to the earth; the dead will be raised; and Christ will judge all men in righteousness. The unrighteous will be consigned to Hell, the place of everlasting punishment. The righteous in their resurrected and glorified bodies will receive their reward and will dwell forever in Heaven with the Lord.

Isa. 2:4, 11:9; Matt. 16:27, 18: 8-9, 19: 28, 24:27, 30, 36, 44, 25:31-46, 26:64; Mark 8:38, 9:43-48; Lk. 12:40, 48, 16:19-26, 17:22-37, 21:27-28; John 14:1-3; Acts 1:11, 17:31; Rom. 14:10; I Cor. 4:5, 15:24-28, 35-58; 2 Cor. 5:10: Phil. 3:20-21; Col. 1:5; 3:4; I Thes. 4:14-18, 5:1ff, 2 Thes. 1:7ff; 2; I, Tim. 6:14; 2 Tim. 4:1, 8; Titus 2:13; Heb. 9:27-28; James 5:8; 2 Peter 3:7ff, I John 2:28, 3:2; Jude 14; Rev. 1:18, 3:11, 20:1 to 22:13.

EVANGELISM AND MISSIONS

It is the duty and privilege of every follower of Christ and of every church of the Lord Jesus Christ to endeavor to make disciples of all nations. The new birth of man's spirit by God's Holy Spirit means the birth of love for others. Missionary efforts on the part of all, rest upon a spiritual necessity of the regenerate life, and are expressly and repeatedly commanded in the teachings of Christ. It is the duty of every child of God to seek constantly to win the lost to Christ by personal effort and by all other methods in harmony with the gospel of Christ.

Gen. 12:1-3; Ex. 19:5-6; Isa. 6:1-8; Matt. 9:37-38, 10:5-15, 13:18-30, 37-43, 16:19, 22:9-10, 24:14, 28:18-20; Luke 10:1-18, 24:46-53; John 14:11-12, 15:7-8, 16, 17:15, 20:21; Acts 1:8; 2; 8:26-40, 10:42-48, 13:2-3; Rom. 10:13-15; Eph.3:1-11; I Thes. 1:8; 2 Tim. 4:5; Heb. 2:1-3, 11:39 to 12:2; I Peter 2:4-10; Rev. 22:17

EDUCATION

The cause of education in the Kingdom of Christ is coordinate with the causes of missions and general benevolence, and should receive along with these the liberal support of the churches. An adequate system of Christian schools is necessary to a complete spiritual program for Christ's people.

In Christian education there should be a proper balance between academic freedom and academic responsibility. Freedom in any orderly relationship of human life is always limited and never absolute. The freedom of a teacher on a Christian school, college, or seminary is limited by the preeminence of Jesus Christ, by the authoritative nature of the Scriptures, and by the distinct purpose for which the school exists.

Deut. 4:1, 5, 9, 14, 6:1-10, 31:12-13; Neh. 8:1-8; Job 28:28; Psalm 19:7 ff, 119:11; Prov. 3:13 ff, 4:1-10, 8:1-7, 11, 15:14; Ecc. 7:19; Matt. 5:2, 7:24 ff, 28:19-20; Luke 2:40; I Cor. 1:18-31; Eph. 4:11-16; Phil. 4:8; Col. 2:3, 8-9; I Tim. 1:3-7; 2 Tim. 2:15, 3:14-17; Heb. 5:12 to 6:3; James 1:5, 3:17

STEWARDSHIP

God is the source of all blessings, temporal and spiritual; all that we have and are we owe to Him. Christians have a spiritual debtorship to the whole world, a trusteeship in the gospel, and a binding stewardship in their possessions. They are therefore under obligation to serve Him with their time, talents, and material possessions; and should recognize all these as entrusted to them to use for the glory of God and for helping others. According to the Scriptures, Christians should contribute of their means cheerfully, regularly, systematically, proportionately, and liberally for the advancement of the Redeemer's cause on earth.

Gen. 14:20; Lev. 27:30-32; Deut. 8:18; Mal. 3:8-12; Matt. 6:1-4, 19-21, 23:23, 25:14-29; Luke 12:16-21, 42, 16:1-13; Acts 2:44-47, 5:1-11, 17:24-25; Rom. 6:6-22, 12:1-2; I Cor. 4:1-2, 6:19-20; 12; 16:1-4; 2 Cor. 8-9, 12:15; Phil. 4:10-19; I Peter 1:18-19

COOPERATION

Christ's people should, as occasion requires, organize such associations and conventions as may best secure cooperation for the great objects of the Kingdom of God. Such organizations have no authority over one another or over the churches. They are voluntary and advisory bodies designed to elicit, combine, and direct the energies of our people in the most effective manner. Members of New Testament churches should cooperate with one another in carrying forward the missionary, educational, and benevolent ministries for the extension of Christ's Kingdom. Christian unity in the New Testament sense is spiritual harmony and voluntary cooperation for common ends by various groups of Christ's people. Cooperation is desirable between the various Christian denominations, when the end to be attained is itself justified, and when such cooperation involves no violation of conscience or compromise of loyalty to Christ and His Word as revealed in the New Testament.

Ex. 17:12, 18:17 ff; Judges 7:21; Ezra 1:3-4, 2:68-69, 5:14-15; Neh. 4; 8: 1-5; Matt. 10: 5-15, 20:1-16, 22:1-10, 28:19-20; Mark 2:3; Luke 10:1 ff; Acts 1:13-14, 2:1 ff, 4: 31-37, 13:2-3, 15: 1-35; I Cor. 1:10-17, 3:5-15; 12; 2 Cor. 8-9; Gal. 1:6-10; Eph. 4:1-16; Phil. 1:15-18

THE CHRISTIAN AND THE SOCIAL ORDER

Every Christian is under obligation to seek to make the will of Christ supreme in his own life and in human society. Means and methods used for the improvement of society and the establishment of righteousness among men can be truly and permanently helpful only when they are rooted in the regeneration of the individual by the saving grace of God in Christ Jesus. The Christian should oppose in the Spirit of Christ every form of greed, selfishness, and vice. He should work to provide for the orphaned, the needy, the aged, the helpless and the sick. Every Christian should seek to bring industry, government, and society as a whole under he sway of the principles of righteousness, truth and brotherly love. In order to promote these ends Christians should be ready to work with all men of good will in any good cause always being careful to act in the spirit of love without compromising their loyalty to Christ and His truth.

Ex. 20:3-17; Lev. 6:2-5; Deut. 10:12, 27:17; Psalm 101:5; Micah 6:8; Zech. 8:16; Matt. 5:13-16, 43-48, 22:36-40, 25:35; Mark 1:29-34, 2:3 ff, 10:21; Luke 4:18-21, 10:27-37, 20-25; John 15:12, 17:15; Rom. 12-14; I Cor. 5:9-10, 6:1-7, 7:20-24, 10:23 to 11:1; Gal. 3:26-28; Eph. 6:5-9; Col. 3:12-17; I Thes. 3:12; Philemon; James 1:27, 2:8

PEACE AND WAR

It is the duty of Christians to seek peace with all men on principles of righteousness. In accordance with the spirit and teachings of Christ they should do all in their power to put an end to war. The true remedy for the war spirit is the gospel of our Lord. The supreme need of the world is the acceptance of His teachings in all the affairs of men and nations, and the practical application of His law of love.

Isa. 2:4; Matt. 5:9, 38-48, 6:33, 26:52; Luke 22:36, 38; Rom. 12:18-19, 13: 1-7, 14:19; Heb. 12:14; James 4:1-2

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

God alone is Lord of the conscience, and He has left it free from the doctrines and commandments of men which are contrary to His Word or not contained in it. Church and state should be separate. The state owes to every church protection and full freedom in the pursuit of its spiritual ends. In providing for such freedom no ecclesiastical group or denomination should be favored by the state more than others. Civil government being ordained of God, it is the duty of Christians to render loyal obedience thereto in all things not contrary to the revealed will of God. The church should not resort to the civil power to carry on its work. The Gospel of Christ contemplates spiritual means alone for the pursuit of its ends. The state has no right to impose penalties for religious opinions of any kind. The state has no right to impose taxes for the support of any form of religion. A free church in a free state is the Christian ideal, and this implies the right of free and unhindered access to God on the part of all men, and the right to form and prop-agate opinions in the sphere of religion without interference by the civil power.

Gen. 1:27, 2:7; Matt. 6:6-7, 24, 16:26, 22:21; John 8:36; Acts 4:19-20; Rom. 6:1-2, 13:1-7; Gal. 5:1, 13; Phil. 3:20; I Tim. 2:1-2; James 4:12; I Peter 2:12-17, 3:11-17, 4:12-19

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
PREAMBLE

For the purpose of preserving, propagating, and making articulate the principles of our faith and to the end that this body of cooperating churches may be governed in an orderly manner, consistent with the accepted tenets of associations of Missionary Baptist Churches, for the purpose of preserving the liberties inherent in each individual church, and in order to set forth the relationship of this body to other Baptist bodies, we do adopt and establish this Constitution.

Article I - Name and Membership

Section 1. This body shall be called the Ashe Missionary Baptist Association.

Section 2. This Association shall consist of all Missionary Baptist Churches in Ashe County, and communities closely adjacent thereto, of like faith and practice, who wish to affiliate with this Association and are loyal to the faith and practice of the Missionary Baptist Denomination.

Section 3.The membership of this body shall be the pastor and three (3) messengers from each church. A letter certifying their appointment and giving the statistics of the membership and work of the church shall be sent to the Associational office at least twenty (20) days before the opening session of the annual meeting.

Section 4.Any church reported to be irregular in faith or practice may be investigated by order of the Association and such action taken, as may be decided by the Association.

Section 5.The Association shall be sole judge of its membership and may receive churches according to the Association's Constitution and By-Laws. Any church in the Association, which fails to cooperate with the Association for two consecutive years, shall be contacted by the Executive Committee to ascertain the wishes and desires of the church relative to its continuance in the Association. A Cooperating church should be defined as one which sends a report (church letter) to the annual session, is represented (by messengers) at the annual session, represented (by Executive Committee members) at the regularly scheduled Executive Committee meetings, contributes to the financial program of the Association, and is in general sympathy with the purposes of the Association. The Association recognizes that any affiliated church has the right to withdraw its fellowship from the Association.

Article II - Purpose

Section 1.The purpose of this Association shall be an organized effort to unite the churches of the Association in devising and promoting measures and programs for the spread of the gospel in our bounds and in all the world, in compliance with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the Southern Baptist Convention.

Article III - Annual Church Letters (Annual Church Profile)

Section 1. The churches shall report annually statistical and general information upon a printed form furnished by the Associational office. The printed form shall be furnished to the church at least six weeks before the convening of an annual session of the Association and returned to the Associational office at least twenty (20) days before the opening session of the annual meeting.

Article IV - Officers and their Duties

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Associational Missionary, and the heads of such organizations as are set up and approved by the Association. The offices of Clerk and Treasurer may be the same person, at the discretion of the body.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Moderator of the Association (Vice-Moderator in his absence or disability) to preside over the annual sessions and all special sessions, including the meetings of the Executive Committee. As the presiding officer, he shall open the meetings punctually at the appointed time, enforce the rules, preserve the order, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage. He shall name the committees and representatives of Institutions and agencies described in Sections 5, 6, and 8 of Article V of the Constitution at the opening of the annual session. He shall be elected for a one-year term, and he cannot succeed himself after the second consecutive term.

Section 3. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of all proceedings of the Executive committee meetings, annual meetings, and make such available to the body and the Associational Missionary for printing and distribution.

Section 4. The treasurer shall have charge of all Associational funds as the Association may direct and make a report of receipts and disbursements at each annual meeting.

Section 5. (1) The Associational Missionary shall be elected upon a recommendation of the Committee on Missions, and by a vote of the Association at a regular scheduled meeting. The relationship between the Association and its Associational Missionary may be terminated following a reasonable notice of not less than 30 days.

(2) The Associational Missionary shall promote the work and witness of the Association and denomination, cooperating with the churches, their pastors and officers and Associational committees and organizations.

A. He shall be responsible for planning, promoting and executing the ministry of the Association in cooperation with the Committee on Missions.
B. He shall make an annual report to the Association at the August meeting

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

C. He shall be ex-officio member of all committees of the Association, serving in an advisory and/or resource capacity.

D. He shall seek to visit each church in the Association in order to:

(1) Enrich Christian fellowship among churches.

(2) Encourage and strengthen the ministry of the churches.

(3) Enhance the cooperative relationship between the churches and the Association

E. He shall, when necessary, conduct surveys or inquiries, in order to determine specific needs for ministry with the area of the Association.

F. He shall, upon request, provide a list of qualified persons who may be considered by churches seeking pastors.

G. He shall have full administrative responsibility for all personnel employed by the Association.

H. **Strengthen Program Organizations**

(1) Promote evangelism and church growth through total church organizations. Provide needed helps to enable churches to become better equipped in areas of church ministry.

I. **Promote Missions**

(1) Encourage and lead in mission commitment of member churches utilizing Bold Mission Thrust Plans, by creating awareness to mission opportunities, new work, and by assisting in the development of church mission development programs, church extension, language missions, Christian social ministries, chaplaincy ministries, interfaith witness and special mission ministries.

(2) Give high priority to reaching the many unreached Hispanics through existing churches and in new work.

J. **Develop Leadership**

(1) Encourage and provide support for development and improvement in areas of church, ministry, dealing with crisis times, leadership, and supervision skills, etc. Approaches will include family ministry, seminary extensions, workshops and conferences for church secretaries, church clerks (Uniform Church Letter), non-salaried and salaried leaders, music workshops, pastors' retreats, and ethnic leadership development.

K. **Nurture Fellowship**

(1) Nurture fellowship among member churches.

(2) The Associational Missionary is entitled to two weeks vacation annually. Upon completion of five years service, the Associational Missionary shall be entitled to three weeks annual vacation, and after ten years, four weeks annual vacation. Vacation is to be taken within the calendar year, and it is not accumulative.

(3) Should there occur at any time a grievance on the part of the Association of the Associational Missionary, either party may consult with the Moderator and Chairman of the Missions Committee.

Article IV - Officers and their Duties (continued)

Section 6. The officers of the other organizations within the Association shall be nominated by their respective organizations and their names furnished, and presented to the Association for action at each annual session.

Section 7. The officers designated in Section 1, the Associational Missionary excepted, shall be elected at the morning session of the first day of the annual meeting and shall assume their duties at the close of the annual meeting, at which they are elected, and serve until the close of the next session.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties

Section 1.The committees of the Association shall be: Executive Committee, Committee on New Churches, Program Committee,
Committee on Place and Preacher, Resolutions Committee, Missions Committee, Nominating Committee, and such other committees as the Association may designate and name at any annual session. All committee members will serve for a period of three (3) years. Initially each committee will, with the consent of each member, designate which committee member will serve the three- (3) year, two (2) year, and one (1) year term. After the completion of a term, no member shall be eligible for re-election to the committee until after the lapse of one year.

Section 2. The Associational Executive Committee shall be composed of one lay member of all churches, the pastors of such churches, and the officers of the Association, as listed under Section 1 of Article IV. Twelve members of this committee shall constitute a quorum to transact business, after notice of such meeting has been mailed, or otherwise given to all members of the committee at least three days prior to the proposed meeting. Members of this committee shall be elected by the churches annually.

Section 3.The Committee on Organized Churches shall consist of the Moderator, ex officio, three pastors, and three lay-persons. This committee shall be responsible for receiving letters of application for membership into the Association by organized Missionary Baptist Churches. This committee's responsibility shall be to communicate to applying churches the requirements of a cooperating church, as herein defined in Article I, section 5, paragraph 2 of the Ashe Baptist Association Constitution. Applying churches, upon recommendation of this committee, shall, with approval of the messengers at the annual session, serve one year under watch care of the Association. This committee shall work with this church during this period and then make final recommendations at the next annual meeting.

Section 4.The Program Committee shall consist of five members who shall prepare an order of business for the annual meeting, including the designating of persons to make reports as to the various objects supported by the Churches of the Association. The Associational office shall prepare copies of the same for distribution to those attending the annual sessions of the Association.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

Section 5. The Committee on Place and Preacher shall consist of three members, who may be appointed by the Moderator, with consent of the Association. At each annual session, this Committee shall recommend to the Association a place, or places, for the holding of the annual meeting of the Association, and shall designate a minister to deliver the Associational sermon and an alternate.

Section 6. The Resolutions Committee shall consist of three members to be appointed by the Moderator. This Committee shall prepare and submit to the Association such resolutions, as it may consider pertinent and proper for the good of the body.

Section 7. The Nominating Committee shall name a Nominating Committee of five (5) members who shall bring to the second Executive Committee of the calendar year, (which is normally in April), for election of the following nominations: Clerk, Youth Director, Brotherhood Director, Discipleship Training Director, Evangelism Chairperson, Moderator, Music Director, Seminary Extension Director, Sunday School Director, and others who are invited to receive training at the Key Leadership Conference by the Baptist State Convention, (which is normally in May).

This Committee shall also present at the annual meeting for election all of the other committee members which are covered herein. Organizational heads will be named by their respective organizations and presented to the Nominating Committee at least two weeks before their nominations are presented to the Executive Committee at their second meeting, (which is normally in April).

If the organizations do not present their respective organizational heads two weeks prior to the April Executive Committee, then the Nominating Committee will select those needed and present their names to the second Executive Committee meeting (normally in April). The chairman of the Nominating Committee will contact these organizational heads before making these selections to be sure they have not already selected someone.

All other nominations shall be presented and elected on the first day of the annual meeting of the Association. All nominations at the Executive Committee meeting and the annual meeting are subject to additional nominations from the floor, and the expressed will of the Association.

Section 8. The Moderator is authorized and directed to appoint suitable persons at each session to prepare and present to the next session reports on the various subjects and causes customary to be presented and to notify such persons in due time before the meeting of the Association. (Refer to Article IV, Section 2.)

Section 9. The Board of Directors of the Ashe Baptist Summer Camp shall consist of nine members who shall initially be chosen three (3) for one year, three (3) for two years, and three (3) for three years.

Of the said members, three shall be active pastors in the Association. After the completion of one term, no member shall be eligible for re-election to this board until after the lapse of one year. No more than one member of this board shall be chosen from any one church of the Association. The treasurer of the Ashe Baptist Summer Camp, (who shall serve in addition to the nine member Board of Directors), shall be elected by the Board of Directors on an indefinite basis. He/she shall have voting privileges, as do other members.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to cooperate with the officials, pastors, and Executive Committee of the Association in promoting and advancing the development and operation of the camp; to supervise and direct the work of the camp; and to make a report to the Association at each annual meeting. Vacancies occurring in this organization shall be filled in accordance with the provision of Section 7 thereof.

Section 10. The Mission Committee shall consist of seven (7) members, five (5) of which shall be heads of the following organizations: Sunday School, Discipleship Training, Brotherhood, WMU and Church Music. The names of these five (5) shall be submitted to the Associational Nominating Committee by their respective organizations and voted on by the full body on the first day of the annual meeting. The other two (2) members shall be active pastors in the Association and they shall be named by the Associational Nominating Committee. They too shall be elected along with the organizational heads. Should any of the before mentioned organizations fail to submit the name of a person nominated by themselves to serve as head of that organization, then the Associational Nominating Committee shall be responsible for nominating that person.

These seven (7) people shall constitute the Associational Missionary Search Committee, when such a need arises. This Committee shall work with the Associational Missionary in promoting the work of the Association and lead and assist in determining need for beginning new missions stations and organizing new churches. The Moderator and Associational Missionary shall be ex officio members of this committee.

Section 11. The Ordination Committee shall consist of five (5) members, all of whom must be ordained ministers, meeting the qualifications as stated in I Timothy 3:1-7, and who are members of cooperating churches of the Ashe Baptist Association. The Chairman, at his discretion, may invite the pastor of a candidate to sit with the committee. Churches of the Association desiring to ordain a preacher to the Gospel ministry, and desiring to use the services of the Ordination Committee of the Ashe Baptist Association, shall use the following procedure.

1. The Church in conference shall vote to ask the Ordination Committee to examine the candidate and so notify the chairman.
2. The candidate shall meet the following conditions before ordination:
   (a) Hold membership in a cooperating Missionary Baptist church.
   (b) Shall have held a license to preach, issued by a cooperating Missionary Baptist Church for not less than six months.
3. The chairman shall set a suitable time and place, notifying the members, for the examination.
4. The candidate shall be examined as to his conversion, call to the ministry, doctrinal beliefs, and attitude toward our denomination and its programs.
5. The Committee Chairman shall notify the church of its recommendations and they may proceed with the ordination.

Section 12. The Evangelism Committee, composed of 5 members, shall promote the work of Evangelism in the churches and the Association in cooperation with the State Department of Evangelism. All plans and programs are to be subject to the approval of the Association, or its Executive Committee.

Article V - Committees and Their Duties (continued)

Section 13. The Nominating Committee shall nominate a Committee on Constitution and By-Laws consisting of five members, of which the first named shall serve as chairman. It shall be the duty of this committee to receive, examine and make recommendations to the Association on all proposed amendments to the Constitution or the By-Laws.

Section 14. The Nominating Committee shall nominate a Properties Committee, which shall consist of three members, and shall have the responsibility of recommending the purchase of necessary property, and the construction of necessary buildings. This Committee shall recommend any repairs and improvements needed on Associational property beyond normal repair. All recommendations are subject to approval by the Executive Committee between sessions or the full-body session.

Section 15. The Committee on Finance, composed of five (5) members and the treasurer, shall study the Association's financial needs for an adequate program, prepare and present a budget to the Association for the following year, devise and develop plans for securing the cooperation of churches in providing funds to meet the budget. The treasurer will submit a complete financial report at the annual meeting in August.

Section 16. The Committee on Youth shall be composed of at least nine (9) members, three (3) of whom shall be ministers. The Chairman, also called "Youth Director," shall be selected from within their own ranks. The Committee shall be concerned with ways of relating youth to the churches of the Association and shall lead the Churches and Association to plan programs and activities that will meet their needs.

Section 17. The Seminary Extension Committee, composed of five (5) members, shall work with the chairman of the Committee to plan, promote and implement the offering of such courses of study as will meet the needs of pastors and lay-persons in the areas of Biblical studies, historical theology, Baptist life, church administration, Christian education, and pastoral training.

Section 18. There shall be five (5) trustees of the Association. They shall handle all legal matters of the Association under the direction of the said Association. Trustees shall be elected for an indefinite term and shall serve at the pleasure of the Association.

Section 19. The Associational Historian, in his/her sole discretion, shall collect facts of interest to the Association and the cooperating churches, and shall make a report to each annual session of the Association. In addition, he/she shall contact hosting churches of the annual meeting and request a brief history of each church for publication in the Book of Reports and the Associational Annual.

Article VI
Meetings and Reports

Section 1. The Association shall hold an annual meeting convening in the month of August of each year, at such time and place as may be designated or authorized by the previous session.

Section 2. Each organization within the Association shall make a written report to the Association at each annual meeting.

Section 3. A special session of the Association may be called by the Moderator with the approval of the Executive Committee.

Section 4. The Associational Executive Committee shall meet quarterly.

Article VII
Order of Religious Exercises

Section 1. At the annual meeting the Associational Sermon shall be delivered as herein before provided.

Section 2. In addition to the Associational Sermon, the Program Committee shall designate a minister to deliver at least one other sermon each day the Association is in session and all business shall be suspended while such sermons are being delivered. No sermon shall be scheduled so as to conflict or interfere with the business sessions of the Association or the presentation of reports to the Association.

Article VIII
Amendments

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present, and voting on the second day, provided that such amendment is presented in writing on the first day, or that notice of such amendment shall have been given during the previous annual session.

CHURCH STATISTICAL INFORMATION

2001/2002

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Important Note:
No Congregational Profile Reports were received from Big Laurel and Prosperity Churches. Only a "partial report" from Trinity.
Therefore, some of the data is excluded from these reports.

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CONGREGATION SUMMARY 2001/2002

CONGREGATION	C/M	Total Bapt.	Other Adds.	Total Church Enroll.	Total SS Enroll.	SS Avg. Attd.	VBS Enroll	Disciple Train	Music Enroll.	WMU Enroll.	Brother Enroll.	Total Receipts	Total Cooperative Program	Total Assoc. Missions	Total Missions Expendures
Apple Grove	C	3	0	68	33	30	0	0	18	0	0	$11,807.00	$20.00	$100.00	$180.00
Bald Mountain	C	31	29	664	375	200	246	86	83	68	68	$440,752.77	$15,600.00	$5,300.00	$39,729.19
Beaver Creek	C	0	0	147	65	55	0	0	42	15	0	$27,900.00	$0.00	$1,400.00	$2,625.00
Big Flatts	C	0	1	101	43	28	58	0	48	0	0	$32,468.00	$140.00	$600.00	$6,540.00
Big Laurel	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Blue Ridge	C	1	0	52	20	12	22	0	0	0	0	$32,389.71	$0.00	$1,050.00	$4,339.80
Bristol	C	5	18	343	120	100	125	0	33	0	0	$114,971.32	$4,479.59	$4,240.09	$9,619.68
Buffalo	C	0	2	104	77	55	54	6	28	9	0	$37,500.00	$0.00	$600.00	$1,805.00
Calvary	C	0	8	71	41	23	55	27	24	7	0	$13,699.78	$100.00	$200.00	$855.00
Clifton	C	3	5	298	121	100	110	0	78	20	0	$79,817.80	$906.32	$1,006.32	$4,729.14
Cristo El Salvador	M	0	0	104	43	29	27	62	12	0	0	$12,495.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Farmers Memorial	C	0	0	30	12	12	0	0	6	0	0	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Fletcher Memorial	C	6	21	421	190	123	123	0	58	42	25	$226,413.00	$16,803.00	$12,489.00	$63,125.00
Friendly Grove	C	5	0	140	112	70	100	0	47	48	6	$118,454.00	$3,000.00	$3,100.00	$15,055.00
Friendship	C	11	20	449	145	115	200	115	99	71	69	$280,350.00	$34,900.00	$6,800.00	$55,225.00
Glendale Springs	C	2	4	203	152	80	100	0	77	0	12	$111,317.00	$420.00	$3,552.00	$22,065.00
Grassy Creek	C	1	1	139	34	34	57	0	20	0	0	$52,692.00	$1,396.00	$840.00	$6,953.00
Healing Springs	C	2	2	177	64	55	58	0	25	0	0	$39,272.00	$1,784.00	$1,784.00	$6,963.00
Highlands Community	M	6	0	27	59	30	0	57	0	0	0	$41,384.37	$720.00	$400.00	$3,096.43
Landmark Bapt	C	0	0	165	85	70	100	0	55	20	18	$74,958.00	$0.00	$1,200.00	$14,455.00
Laurel Knob	C	1	0	85	52	39	47	14	19	0	0	$62,425.00	$1,053.00	$1,930.00	$14,704.00
Liberty Grove	C	1	3	186	47	37	51	46	20	0	0	$96,000.00	$1,500.00	$2,000.00	$32,600.00
Little Helton	C	0	0	89	44	21	0	0	0	0	0	$14,494.00	$0.00	$150.00	$650.00
Midway	C	0	7	282	124	63	71	43	39	19	33	$137,063.00	$9,806.00	$1,500.00	$35,683.00
Mission Home	C	0	0	153	50	48	82	30	23	15	0	$59,958.00	$4,000.00	$1,475.00	$7,820.00
Mount Olive	C	7	5	88	85	67	0	0	25	0	0	$59,841.98	$433.00	$1,000.00	$2,238.00
New River	C	5	13	224	79	55	121	0	40	19	0	$88,647.00	$4,085.00	$1,634.00	$15,372.00
North Beaver	C	3	7	194	71	48	82	0	22	0	0	$45,913.02	$900.00	$1,800.00	$4,961.00
Oak Hill	C	0	0	138	39	30	35	0	30	0	0	$26,331.00	$0.00	$240.00	$3,458.00
Obids	C	3	0	62	42	35	30	0	15	0	0	$29,019.10	$400.00	$800.00	$2,734.00
Old Fields	C	10	2	118	62	46	77	27	12	15	14	$55,340.00	$4,392.00	$3,000.00	$21,799.00
Orion	C	2	1	160	47	38	0	0	16	12	0	$51,350.00	$3,390.00	$2,260.00	$9,030.00
Peak Valley	C	0	0	13	14	14	0	0	0	0	0	$5,300.00	$100.00	$200.00	$300.00
Phoenix	C	11	11	169	98	56	117	34	51	10	20	$56,484.00	$1,142.00	$1,117.00	$4,659.00
Pilot Mountain	C	0	0	82	14	14	0	0	10	0	0	$7,202.00	$0.00	$331.00	$331.00
Pine Swamp	C	3	0	69	27	20	0	0	0	0	0	$66,732.00	$300.00	$150.00	$550.00
Pleasant Home	C	0	2	108	57	47	29	0	15	0	0	$33,148.00	$904.00	$2,468.00	$5,624.00
Pleasant Valley	C	0	0	66	7	5	0	0	12	0	0	$6,913.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Prosperity	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Round Knob	C	2	0	138	60	36	38	37	24	0	0	$35,033.00	$1,355.00	$1,018.00	$5,012.00
Trinity	C	10	0	184	219	0	85	115	122	0	0	$122,692.00	$978.00	$978.00	$11,548.00
Tuckerdale	C	1	3	175	82	68	80	55	0	0	0	$47,649.00	$750.00	$1,500.00	$6,500.00
Wagoner	C	0	0	86	32	22	29	0	12	0	0	$18,975.31	$89.77	$900.00	$4,224.77
Warrensville	C	2	6	351	177	91	105	0	46	10	18	$96,016.00	$2,400.00	$2,400.00	$10,855.00
Welcome Home	C	9	0	174	50	50	88	0	30	0	0	$50,559.00	$4,101.97	$1,907.83	$6,454.80
		146	**171**	**7,097**	**3,370**	**2,171**	**2,602**	**754**	**1,336**	**400**	**283**	**$3,021,727.16**	**$122,348.65**	**$75,420.24**	**$464,467.81**

No reports filed for Prosperity Baptist & Big Laurel Baptist. (A partial report filed from Trinity Baptist)

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Sunday School Enrollment Information 2001/2002

CONGREGATION	C/M	Total SS Enroll 15	Age 0-5 Enroll 15a	Age 6-11 Enroll 15b	Age 12-17 Enroll 15c	Age 18-24 Enroll 15d	Age 25-34 Enroll 15e	Age 35-54 Enroll 15f	Age 55-up Enroll 15g	SS General Officers 15h	Other Bible Study 15i	SS Avg. Wkly Attend. 16	Non Cong. Memb. 17	VBS 18
Apple Grove	C	33	1	4	4	3	8	2	5	0	0	30	0	0
Bald Mountain	C	375	33	46	50	22	18	50	61	5	60	200	25	246
Beaver Creek	C	65	5	13	11	3	6	17	5	0	0	55	0	0
Big Flatts	C	43	6	5	4	0	8	3	6	2	0	28	4	58
Big Laurel	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blue Ridge	C	20	1	3	2	0	3	0	6	0	0	12	2	22
Bristol	C	120	12	9	5	10	18	16	20	10	0	100	0	125
Buffalo	C	77	5	5	5	4	8	20	28	2	0	55	10	54
Calvary	C	41	2	6	5	0	1	9	6	3	0	23	3	55
Clifton	C	121	10	15	11	5	20	20	15	10	0	100	20	110
Cristo El Salvador	M	43	5	8	5	4	8	3	4	4	1	29	13	27
Farmers Memorial	C	12	0	0	0	0	0	2	10	0	0	12	0	0
Fletcher Memorial	C	190	12	17	19	4	20	44	30	4	0	123	13	123
Friendly Grove	C	112	14	13	10	0	9	8	17	6	0	70	5	100
Friendship	C	145	12	13	21	5	13	23	15	3	12	115	10	200
Glendale Springs	C	152	8	12	6	6	14	35	59	2	0	80	8	100
Grassy Creek	C	34	3	3	6	0	2	3	5	0	0	34	0	57
Healing Springs	C	64	4	5	6	8	17	0	17	2	0	55	0	58
Highlands Community	M	59	3	4	3	6	0	15	3	2	23	30	0	0
Landmark Bapt	C	85	8	7	9	8	12	20	10	0	0	70	0	100
Laurel Knob	C	52	6	7	2	4	8	13	3	6	0	39	13	47
Liberty Grove	C	47	10	2	1	4	6	14	6	2	0	37	3	51
Little Helton	C	44	0	5	4	0	1	7	10	4	0	21	9	0
Midway	C	124	8	10	22	3	0	21	17	3	25	63	5	71
Mission Home	C	50	3	2	2	2	2	19	6	0	0	48	0	82
Mount Olive	C	85	5	8	7	9	13	17	10	8	0	67	3	0
New River	C	79	6	5	16	4	4	16	14	2	0	55	2	121
North Beaver	C	71	2	3	8	6	7	18	19	0	0	48	0	82
Oak Hill	C	39	1	2	2	0	1	8	20	0	0	30	1	35
Obids	C	42	3	3	2	3	3	8	12	0	0	35	0	30
Old Fields	C	62	2	4	2	6	6	11	6	2	0	46	0	77
Orion	C	47	3	1	3	3	6	10	11	0	0	38	2	0
Peak Valley	C	14	1	2	2	0	4	1	4	0	0	14	0	0
Phoenix	C	98	11	14	9	8	10	17	14	3	0	56	3	117
Pilot Mountain	C	14	1	0	0	0	2	2	4	0	0	14	0	0
Pine Swamp	C	27	2	1	4	0	2	4	7	1	0	20	1	0
Pleasant Home	C	57	7	4	5	3	8	3	8	6	0	47	4	29
Pleasant Valley	C	7	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	5	0	0
Prosperity	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Round Knob	C	60	2	4	8	8	4	9	16	7	0	36	0	38
Trinity	C	219	9	27	53	65	30	25	10	0	0	0	0	85
Tuckerdale	C	82	7	10	8	5	5	11	20	3	0	68	1	80
Wagoner	C	32	3	3	0	0	1	3	7	7	0	22	0	29
Warrensville	C	177	25	23	24	12	13	46	22	4	0	91	48	105
Welcome Home	C	50	4	4	0	9	0	20	0	5	0	50	8	88
		3,370	**265**	**332**	**366**	**242**	**321**	**596**	**570**	**118**	**121**	**2,171**	**216**	**2,602**

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Discipleship Training Information Summary 2001/2002

CONGREGATION	C/M	Total On-going DT 19	On-going Pre-school DT 19a	On-going Child 6-11 DT 19b	On-going Youth 12-17 DT 19c	On-going Adult 18-up DT 19d	DT Gen Officers 19e	Total Short-term DT 20	Total Short-term Preschool 20a	Total Short-term Children 20b	Total Short-term Youth 20c	Total Short-term Adults 20d	Total DT Enroll DTEN
Apple Grove	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bald Mountain	C	20	0	0	0	18	2	66	0	0	0	66	86
Beaver Creek	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Big Flatts	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Big Laurel	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blue Ridge	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bristol	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Buffalo	C	6	0	0	0	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
Calvary	C	27	3	6	5	9	4	0	0	0	0	0	27
Clifton	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cristo El Salvador	M	31	4	8	3	13	3	31	6	7	3	15	62
Farmers Memorial	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fletcher Memorial	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Friendly Grove	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Friendship	C	115	7	28	13	65	2	0	0	0	0	0	115
Glendale Springs	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grassy Creek	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Healing Springs	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Highlands Community	M	57	0	0	0	55	2	0	0	0	0	0	57
Landmark Bapt	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Laurel Knob	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	14	14
Liberty Grove	C	46	10	2	1	32	1	0	0	0	0	0	46
Little Helton	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Midway	C	43	2	2	12	26	1	0	0	0	0	0	43
Mission Home	C	30	3	1	2	23	1	0	0	0	0	0	30
Mount Olive	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New River	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Beaver	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oak Hill	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Obids	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Old Fields	C	27	0	0	0	25	2	0	0	0	0	0	27
Orion	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peak Valley	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Phoenix	C	34	2	8	4	18	2	0	0	0	0	0	34
Pilot Mountain	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pine Swamp	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pleasant Home	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pleasant Valley	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prosperity	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Round Knob	C	20	0	1	0	18	1	17	0	0	0	17	37
Trinity	C	115	5	22	53	27	8	0	0	0	0	0	115
Tuckerdale	C	55	7	10	8	29	1	0	0	0	0	0	55
Wagoner	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Warrensville	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Welcome Home	C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		626	**43**	**88**	**101**	**363**	**31**	**128**	**6**	**7**	**3**	**112**	**754**

General Financial Information 2001/2002

CONGREGATION	C/M	Undesignated Gifts	Designated Gifts	Other Receipts	Total Receipts	Congregational Debt
Apple Grove	C	$11,388.00	$419.00	$0.00	$11,807.00	$0.00
Bald Mountain	C	$307,417.73	$133,335.04	$0.00	$440,752.77	$0.00
Beaver Creek	C	$27,900.00	$0.00	$0.00	$27,900.00	$0.00
Big Flatts	C	$22,307.00	$10,161.00	$0.00	$32,468.00	$0.00
Big Laurel	C	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Blue Ridge	C	$21,451.71	$10,938.00	$0.00	$32,389.71	$0.00
Bristol	C	$106,002.50	$8,624.28	$344.54	$114,971.32	$0.00
Buffalo	C	$35,000.00	$2,500.00	$0.00	$37,500.00	$0.00
Calvary	C	$13,699.78	$0.00	$0.00	$13,699.78	$0.00
Clifton	C	$61,555.09	$18,262.71	$0.00	$79,817.80	$0.00
Cristo El Salvador	M	$5,760.87	$5,534.13	$1,200.00	$12,495.00	$0.00
Farmers Memorial	C	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Fletcher Memorial	C	$207,824.00	$14,806.00	$3,783.00	$226,413.00	$0.00
Friendly Grove	C	$96,445.00	$22,009.00	$0.00	$118,454.00	$0.00
Friendship	C	$194,000.00	$85,500.00	$850.00	$280,350.00	$0.00
Glendale Springs	C	$109,492.00	$1,825.00	$0.00	$111,317.00	$0.00
Grassy Creek	C	$46,239.00	$5,752.00	$701.00	$52,692.00	$26,800.00
Healing Springs	C	$35,687.00	$2,821.00	$764.00	$39,272.00	$0.00
Highlands Community	M	$41,384.37	$0.00	$0.00	$41,384.37	$0.00
Landmark	C	$40,354.00	$34,604.00	$0.00	$74,958.00	$30,000.00
Laurel Knob	C	$55,336.00	$6,473.00	$616.00	$62,425.00	$0.00
Liberty Grove	C	$96,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$96,000.00	$0.00
Little Helton	C	$8,050.00	$6,444.00	$0.00	$14,494.00	$0.00
Midway	C	$98,062.00	$8,632.00	$30,369.00	$137,063.00	$16,121.00
Mission Home	C	$59,958.00	$0.00	$0.00	$59,958.00	$85,600.00
Mount Olive	C	$59,333.48	$508.50	$0.00	$59,841.98	$0.00
New River	C	$81,703.00	$6,847.00	$97.00	$88,647.00	$0.00
North Beaver	C	$45,433.02	$480.00	$0.00	$45,913.02	$0.00
Oak Hill	C	$23,273.00	$3,058.00	$0.00	$26,331.00	$0.00
Obids	C	$29,019.10	$0.00	$0.00	$29,019.10	$0.00
Old Fields	C	$45,098.00	$10,196.00	$46.00	$55,340.00	$0.00
Orion	C	$48,000.00	$3,350.00	$0.00	$51,350.00	$0.00
Peak Valley	C	$5,300.00	$0.00	$0.00	$5,300.00	$0.00
Phoenix	C	$54,750.00	$1,577.00	$157.00	$56,484.00	$0.00
Pilot Mountain	C	$7,013.00	$189.00	$0.00	$7,202.00	$0.00
Pine Swamp	C	$12,612.00	$54,120.00	$0.00	$66,732.00	$0.00
Pleasant Home	C	$22,694.00	$10,454.00	$0.00	$33,148.00	$4,575.00
Pleasant Valley	C	$6,471.00	$442.00	$0.00	$6,913.00	$0.00
Prosperity	C	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Round Knob	C	$35,033.00	$0.00	$0.00	$35,033.00	$0.00
Trinity	C	$106,980.00	$10,781.00	$4,931.00	$122,692.00	$0.00
Tuckerdale	C	$46,363.00	$1,286.00	$0.00	$47,649.00	$0.00
Wagoner	C	$17,909.94	$1,065.37	$0.00	$18,975.31	$0.00
Warrensville	C	$83,284.00	$12,158.00	$574.00	$96,016.00	$79,761.00
Welcome Home	C	$44,200.00	$6,359.00	$0.00	$50,559.00	$0.00
		$2,475,783.59	**$501,511.03**	**$44,432.54**	**$3,021,727.16**	**$242,857.00**

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Missions Financial Information 2001/2002

CONGREGATION	C/M	Cooperative Program	Association Missions	State Missions	Annie Armstrong	Lottie Moon	Other SBC Miss. Exp.	Non-SBC Miss. Exp	Total Mission Expenditures
Apple Grove	C	$20.00	$100.00	$20.00	$20.00	$20.00	$0.00	$0.00	$180.00
Bald Mountain	C	$15,600.00	$5,300.00	$1,224.59	$2,812.00	$4,561.86	$0.00	$10,230.74	$39,729.19
Beaver Creek	C	$0.00	$1,400.00	$0.00	$100.00	$100.00	$825.00	$200.00	$2,625.00
Big Flatts	C	$140.00	$600.00	$0.00	$150.00	$550.00	$0.00	$5,100.00	$6,540.00
Big Laurel	C	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Blue Ridge	C	$0.00	$1,050.00	$0.00	$1,000.00	$500.00	$0.00	$1,789.80	$4,339.80
Bristol	C	$4,479.59	$4,240.09	$0.00	$0.00	$850.00	$0.00	$50.00	$9,619.68
Buffalo	C	$0.00	$600.00	$0.00	$400.00	$650.00	$155.00	$0.00	$1,805.00
Calvary	C	$100.00	$200.00	$0.00	$210.00	$345.00	$0.00	$0.00	$855.00
Clifton	C	$906.32	$1,006.32	$700.00	$300.00	$300.00	$0.00	$1,516.50	$4,729.14
Cristo El Salvador	M	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Farmers Memorial	C	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Fletcher Memorial	C	$16,803.00	$12,489.00	$0.00	$5,122.00	$5,740.00	$3,240.00	$19,731.00	$63,125.00
Friendly Grove	C	$3,000.00	$3,100.00	$3,164.00	$2,005.00	$3,086.00	$700.00	$0.00	$15,055.00
Friendship	C	$34,900.00	$6,800.00	$2,400.00	$2,700.00	$4,300.00	$525.00	$3,600.00	$55,225.00
Glendale Springs	C	$420.00	$3,552.00	$5,100.00	$546.00	$603.00	$600.00	$11,244.00	$22,065.00
Grassy Creek	C	$1,396.00	$840.00	$200.00	$275.00	$275.00	$353.00	$3,614.00	$6,953.00
Healing Springs	C	$1,784.00	$1,784.00	$1,070.00	$259.00	$257.00	$764.00	$1,045.00	$6,963.00
Highlands Community	M	$720.00	$400.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$1,976.43	$3,096.43
Landmark Bapt	C	$0.00	$1,200.00	$0.00	$1,407.00	$2,218.00	$600.00	$9,030.00	$14,455.00
Laurel Knob	C	$1,053.00	$1,930.00	$1,787.00	$0.00	$5,976.00	$0.00	$3,958.00	$14,704.00
Liberty Grove	C	$1,500.00	$2,000.00	$5,100.00	$0.00	$3,300.00	$0.00	$20,700.00	$32,600.00
Little Helton	C	$0.00	$150.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$500.00	$0.00	$650.00
Midway	C	$9,806.00	$1,500.00	$3,310.00	$1,889.00	$2,610.00	$2,328.00	$14,240.00	$35,683.00
Mission Home	C	$4,000.00	$1,475.00	$0.00	$1,045.00	$1,055.00	$245.00	$0.00	$7,820.00
Mount Olive	C	$433.00	$1,000.00	$300.00	$155.00	$350.00	$0.00	$0.00	$2,238.00
New River	C	$4,085.00	$1,634.00	$0.00	$200.00	$0.00	$3,478.00	$5,975.00	$15,372.00
North Beaver	C	$900.00	$1,800.00	$0.00	$0.00	$361.00	$1,900.00	$0.00	$4,961.00
Oak Hill	C	$0.00	$240.00	$0.00	$0.00	$685.00	$455.00	$2,078.00	$3,458.00
Obids	C	$400.00	$800.00	$400.00	$0.00	$234.00	$900.00	$0.00	$2,734.00
Old Fields	C	$4,392.00	$3,000.00	$294.00	$1,789.00	$2,019.00	$0.00	$10,305.00	$21,799.00
Orion	C	$3,390.00	$2,260.00	$321.00	$1,100.00	$1,159.00	$200.00	$600.00	$9,030.00
Peak Valley	C	$100.00	$200.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$300.00
Phoenix	C	$1,142.00	$1,117.00	$0.00	$565.00	$435.00	$0.00	$1,400.00	$4,659.00
Pilot Mountain	C	$0.00	$331.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$331.00
Pine Swamp	C	$300.00	$150.00	$0.00	$50.00	$50.00	$0.00	$0.00	$550.00
Pleasant Home	C	$904.00	$2,468.00	$823.00	$229.00	$1,200.00	$0.00	$0.00	$5,624.00
Pleasant Valley	C	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Prosperity	C	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
Round Knob	C	$1,355.00	$1,018.00	$786.00	$0.00	$1,853.00	$0.00	$0.00	$5,012.00
Trinity	C	$978.00	$978.00	$0.00	$204.00	$880.00	$0.00	$8,508.00	$11,548.00
Tuckerdale	C	$750.00	$1,500.00	$0.00	$0.00	$500.00	$1,300.00	$2,450.00	$6,500.00
Wagoner	C	$89.77	$900.00	$500.00	$300.00	$500.00	$900.00	$1,035.00	$4,224.77
Warrensville	C	$2,400.00	$2,400.00	$1,210.00	$1,075.00	$910.00	$0.00	$2,860.00	$10,855.00
Welcome Home	C	$4,101.97	$1,907.83	$0.00	$184.00	$261.00	$0.00	$0.00	$6,454.80
		$122,348.65	**$75,420.24**	**$28,709.59**	**$26,091.00**	**$48,693.86**	**$19,968.00**	**$143,236.47**	**$464,467.81**

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Congregation and Member Information Summary 2001/2002

CONGREGATION	C/M	Total Memb.	Res. Memb.	Other Adds.	New Memb. Training	Year Organ.	Yr. Pastor Came	Location	AM Worship Attendance	Miss. Start	Miss. Oper.	Lost/ Unchurch	Assoc. Miss. on % basis	Intercessory Prayer
Apple Grove	C	68	60	0	0	1889	1986	A	50	0	0	N	Y	N
Bald Mountain	C	664	578	29	30	1810	1991	A	350	0	0	Y	N	Y
Beaver Creek	C	147	106	0	0	1890	1990	A	80	0	0	N	Y	N
Big Flatts	C	101	70	1	0	1905	0	A	28	0	0	N	Y	Y
Big Laurel	C	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0			
Blue Ridge	C	52	41	0	0	1887	2000	A	38	0	0	Y	Y	N
Bristol	C	343	318	18	5	1883	1973	B	200	0	0	Y	N	Y
Buffalo	C	104	90	2	0	1869	1997	A	60	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Calvary	C	71	0	8	0	1960	1995	C	38	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Clifton	C	298	243	5	0	1891	1995	A	150	0	0	Y	Y	N
Cristo El Salvador	M	104	0	0	2	1998	1997	A	56	0	0	Y	N	Y
Farmers Memorial	C	30	12	0	0	1943	2001	A	12	0	0	N	N	N
Fletcher Memorial	C	421	381	21	0	1953	1999	C	230	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Friendly Grove	C	140	135	0	0	1945	1999	A	85	0	0	Y	N	Y
Friendship	C	449	405	20	18	1880	2000	A	208	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Glendale Springs	C	203	142	4	0	1914	1992	A	110	0	0	N	Y	Y
Grassy Creek	C	139	64	1	0	1929	1997	A	40	0	0	N	Y	N
Healing Springs	C	177	150	2	0	1884	2001	A	64	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Highlands Community	M	27	27	0	21	1998	1998	B	60	0	0	Y	N	Y
Landmark Bapt	C	165	144	0	0	1856	1998	A	95	0	4	Y	N	N
Laurel Knob	C	85	0	0	0	1912	1984	A	58	0	0	N	N	N
Liberty Grove	C	186	60	3	0	1915	1999	A	49	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Little Helton	C	89	39	0	0	1923	2000	A	0	0	0	Y	N	Y
Midway	C	282	226	7	0	1954	2002	A	114	0	0	Y	N	Y
Mission Home	C	153	123	0	0	1892	2002	A	85	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Mount Olive	C	88	78	5	0	1941	2002	A	67	0	0	Y	Y	Y
New River	C	224	100	13	0	1885	2000	A	82	0	0	Y	Y	N
North Beaver	C	194	150	7	0	1943	2001	A	100	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Oak Hill	C	138	60	0	0	1927	2002	A	30	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Obids	C	62	51	0	0	1892	1995	A	40	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Old Fields	C	118	95	2	0	1803	1995	A	55	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Orion	C	160	73	1	0	1911	2002	A	68	0	0	Y	N	N
Peak Valley	C	13	7	0	0	1892	2002	A	14	0	0	N	N	N
Phoenix	C	169	144	11	0	1908	2002	A	60	0	0	Y	N	Y
Pilot Mountain	C	82	82	0	0	1886	0	A	20	0	0	Y	Y	N
Pine Swamp	C	69	48	0	0	1948	0	A	30	0	0	N	N	N
Pleasant Home	C	108	57	2	0	1870	2002	A	47	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Pleasant Valley	C	66	27	0	0	1929	1999	A	15	0	0	Y	N	N
Prosperity	C	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0			
Round Knob	C	138	98	0	0	1940	1999	A	40	0	0	Y	Y	Y
Trinity	C	184	0	0	0	1975	0	B	160	0	0	N	N	N
Tuckerdale	C	175	142	3	0	1915	1997	A	69	0	0	N	N	Y
Wagoner	C	86	25	0	0	1949	0	A	30	0	0	N	N	N
Warrensville	C	351	285	6	0	1870	1996	A	130	1	3	Y	N	Y
Welcome Home	C	174	174	0	0	1933	1999	A	125	0	0	Y	Y	Y
		7,097	**5,110**	**171**	**76**				**3,442**	**1**	**7**			

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Music Ministries Information 2001/2002

CONGREGATION	C/M	Total Music Enroll.	Preschool, 3-5 Enroll.	Children, 6-11 Enroll.	Youth, 12-17 Enroll.	Adult Choir 18-up	Other Music Groups
Apple Grove	C	18	0	0	1	17	0
Bald Mountain	C	83	8	10	0	50	15
Beaver Creek	C	42	2	5	15	20	0
Big Flatts	C	48	2	6	2	33	5
Big Laurel	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blue Ridge	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bristol	C	33	0	2	3	25	3
Buffalo, W. Jefferso	C	28	2	2	2	14	8
Calvary	C	24	2	4	4	14	0
Clifton	C	78	3	8	7	40	20
Cristo El Salvador	M	12	0	0	0	8	4
Farmers Memorial	C	6	0	0	0	6	0
Fletcher Memorial	C	58	0	16	0	34	8
Friendly Grove	C	47	0	20	10	17	0
Friendship	C	99	9	28	20	30	12
Glendale Springs	C	77	6	4	2	53	12
Grassy Creek	C	20	4	0	2	14	0
Healing Springs	C	25	2	3	5	15	0
Highlands Community	M	0	0	0	0	0	0
Landmark Bapt	C	55	8	5	10	21	11
Laurel Knob	C	19	0	0	0	19	0
Liberty Grove	C	20	5	3	1	11	0
Little Helton	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Midway	C	39	0	5	12	22	0
Mission Home	C	23	0	0	1	22	0
Mount Olive	C	25	0	7	3	15	0
New River	C	40	0	3	10	20	7
North Beaver	C	22	0	0	2	20	0
Oak Hill	C	30	1	0	2	27	0
Obids	C	15	0	0	0	15	0
Old Fields	C	12	0	0	0	12	0
Orion	C	16	1	0	0	15	0
Peak Valley	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Phoenix	C	51	3	9	5	28	6
Pilot Mountain	C	10	0	0	0	10	0
Pine Swamp	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pleasant Home	C	15	2	1	0	10	2
Pleasant Valley	C	12	0	0	0	8	4
Prosperity	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Round Knob	C	24	0	3	4	17	0
Trinity	C	122	4	20	51	32	15
Tuckerdale	C	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wagoner	C	12	0	0	0	8	4
Warrensville	C	46	3	4	4	35	0
Welcome Home	C	30	0	0	0	30	0
		1,336	**67**	**168**	**178**	**787**	**136**

Ashe Missionary Baptist Association

The Ashe Congregational Health Ministry
"Faith in Action in Ashe County"

What is the Ashe Congregational Health Ministry?
The Ashe Congregational Health Ministry is a volunteer, faith-based, representative group that has come together to plan and implement a Parish Nurse Program for Ashe County.

It was formed from the Ashe county Health Council's Outreach Committee, CHAT's (Community Health Action Teams) as a project with the potential to improve the health and quality of life in Ashe County by partnering with the faith community.

What is the mission of the program?
The mission is to provide support for physical, mental and spiritual health through a healing ministry to congregations of faith.

What are the goals of the program?
The goals of the ministry are:

- To link the vital aspects of spiritual health and physical health
- To provide nonphysical nursing services to church congregations
- To serve as a link between congregational members in need and the health care delivery systems in the community
- To recruit and train volunteer nurses to assist their church family.

What Is a Parish Nurse?
A Parish Nurse is a Registered Nurse who is educated and trained to assist persons, families and groups toward wholeness through the setting of a church congregation. The program utilizes the church's existing trusted environment to promote the healthier lifestyles and increase access to the health care system.

What Type of Program is Planned for Ashe County?
The program in Ashe County will begin with one Congregational Nurse Coordinator that will coordinate and support volunteer congregational nurses recruited by their individual church to administer to the non-physical health care needs of the church family. The roles of the volunteer congregational nurses will be developed for each individual church by mutual understanding between the clergy and the volunteer. Each church will have voting membership representation in the governance of the program.

The program will provide liability coverage and educational support for the volunteer nurses. It will also provide the clergy of member churches access to the Nurse Coordinator by telephone, in times of need, for medical consultation. In addition the program will be available to bring in additional resources to the church family according to their needs and requests.

For further information call Community Outreach at Ashe Memorial Hospital: 246-0781

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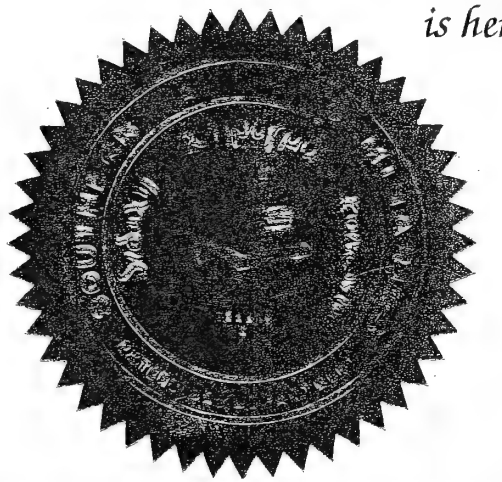

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

AUDREY BRADFORD LARTIGUE, JR.

Brad Lartigue is a missionary serving as a resort worker at Big Sky Resort/Yellowstone National Park in Montana. He is serving through the Special Ministries Department of the North American Mission Board.

Brad serves as resort chaplain and director/supervisor of Innovator and Summer Missionary Ministry.

Previously, Brad was an apprentice at Big Sky. He has also served as a US-2 missionary of the Home Mission Board in Taos, New Mexico, where he directed the Christian High Adventure Ministry and began a chapel service ministry at the ski area.

Brad was raised in Lake Charles, Louisiana, and is a graduate of McNeese State University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

FACTUAL DATA

Birth: February 10, 1961, Lafayette, Louisiana

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McNeese St. University, Lake Charles, La., 1979-84, B.S.
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., 1987-90, M.A.

Experience:
US-2 Missionary, HMB, Taos, N.M., 1984-87
Aquatics Dir., Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., 1987-90
Resort Intern, Montana Baptist Fellowship, Big Sky, Mont., 1990-91
Apprentice, HMB, Big Sky, Mont., 1991-93
Missionary, HMB, resort work, Big Sky, Mont., 1993-

Other:
Lifeguard/W.S.I./First-Aid/CPR Instructor, American Red Cross, and Bozeman Swim Center, 1984-
Swim Coach, Ophir School, Big Sky, Mont., 1990-
Membership Committee, Assoc. of Resort/Leisure Ministers, 1991-93; Vice President, Membership, 1993-
"For One Another", Montana Family Cancer Network, 1991-
Big Sky Chapel Board of Directors, 1993-
Pianist/organist, Gardiner Baptist at Yellowstone National Park and Big Sky Christian Fellowship, 1993-
Fire fighter/chaplain, Big Sky Fire Dept., 1994-

Hobbies: Swimming, downhill skiing, tennis, hiking, music

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Can you identify the Churches or people ?

1) Big Flatts
2) Apple Grove
3) Bristol
4) Farmers Memorial
5) Healing Springs
6) New River

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Music makes us joyful, thanks to all our musicians !!

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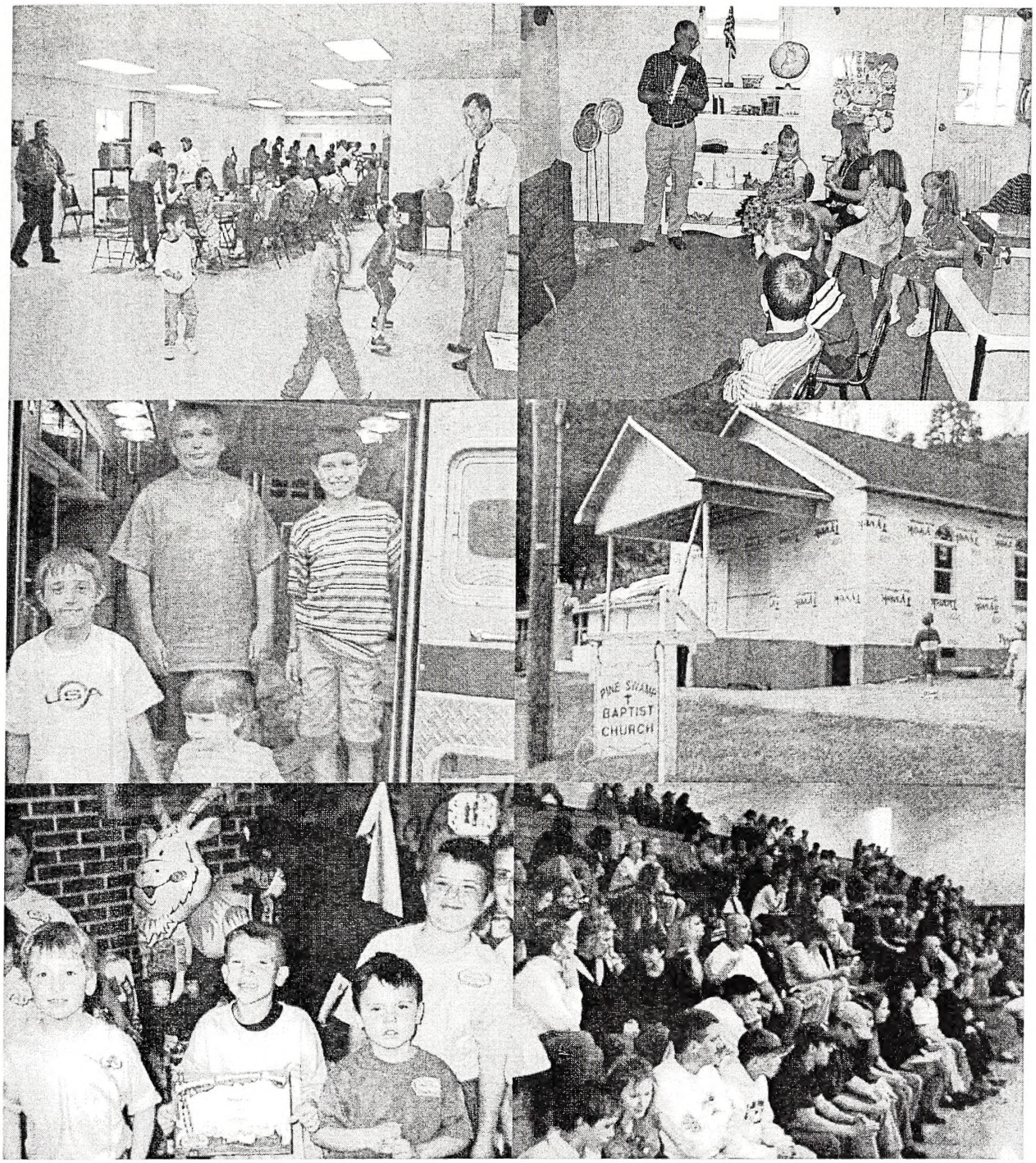

ASSOCIATIONAL EVENTS

1) Hispanic Mission
2) Liberty Grove
3) Midway
4) Pine Swamp
5) Phoenix
6) Youth Crusade

God at work in the "Heart of People"

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It's exciting !!!!!!!!!!

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"God's People at Work"

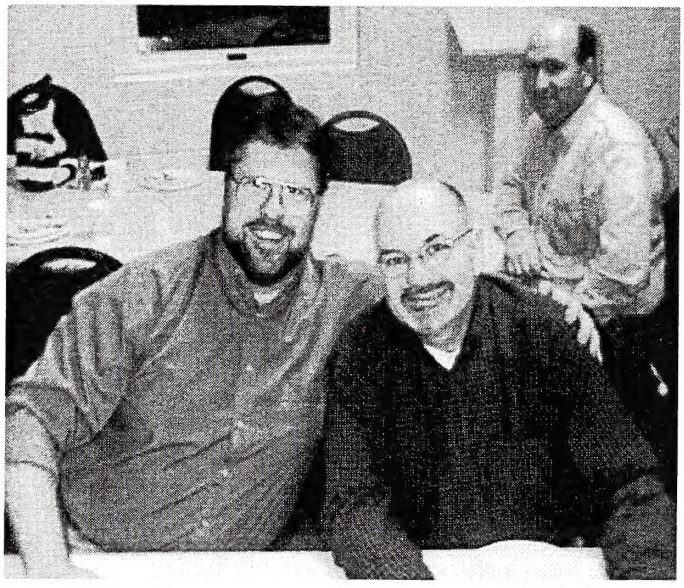

Photo by Jim Thompson

Wal-Mart helped make the season a little brighter for people in need in Ashe County. On Friday, Bill Orr of Wal-Mart (right) presented a check for over $1,300 to Ashe Really Cares. Pat Miller (center), director of Ashe Really Cares, and Rev. David Blackburn, director of missions for the Ashe Baptist Association, accepted the donation.